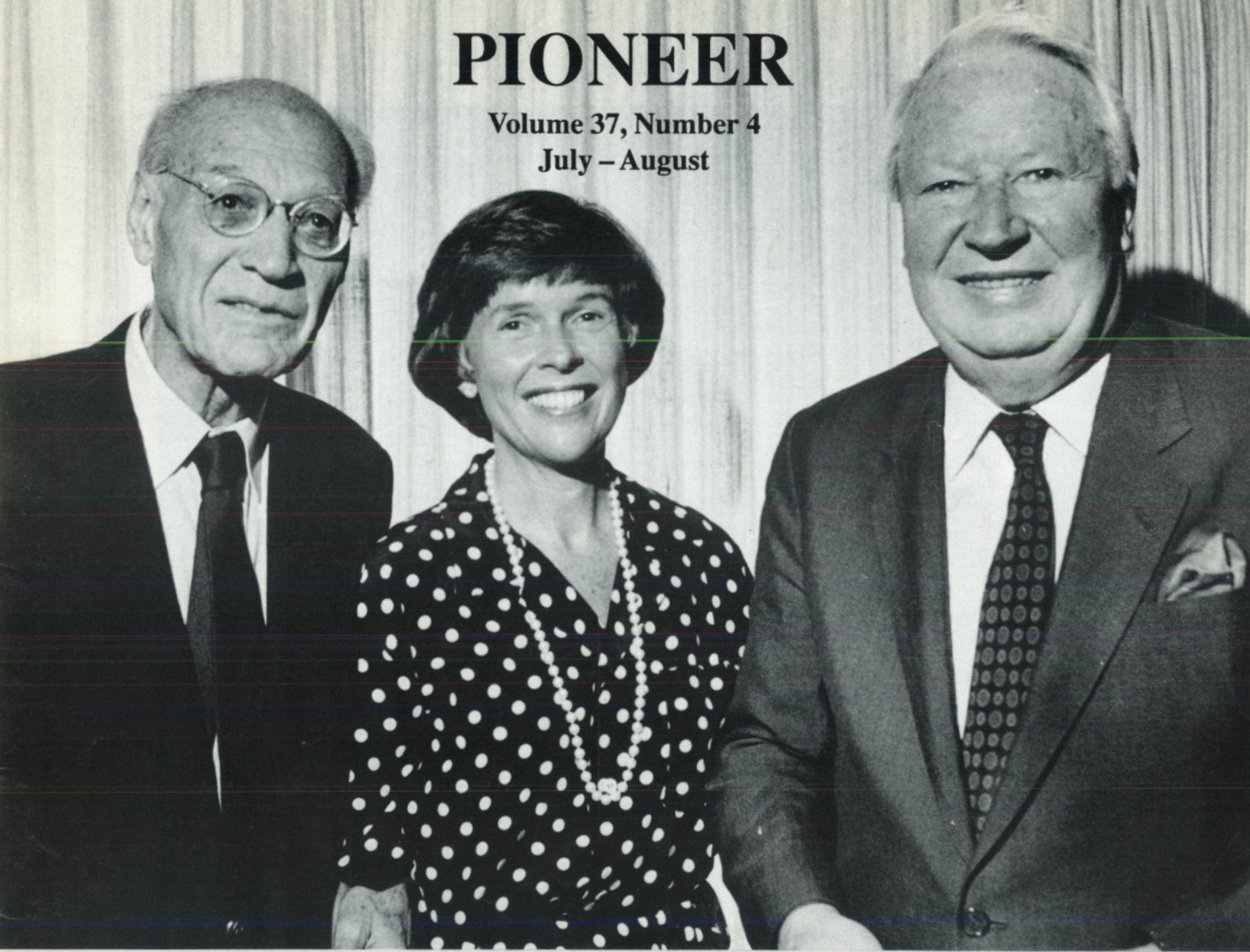


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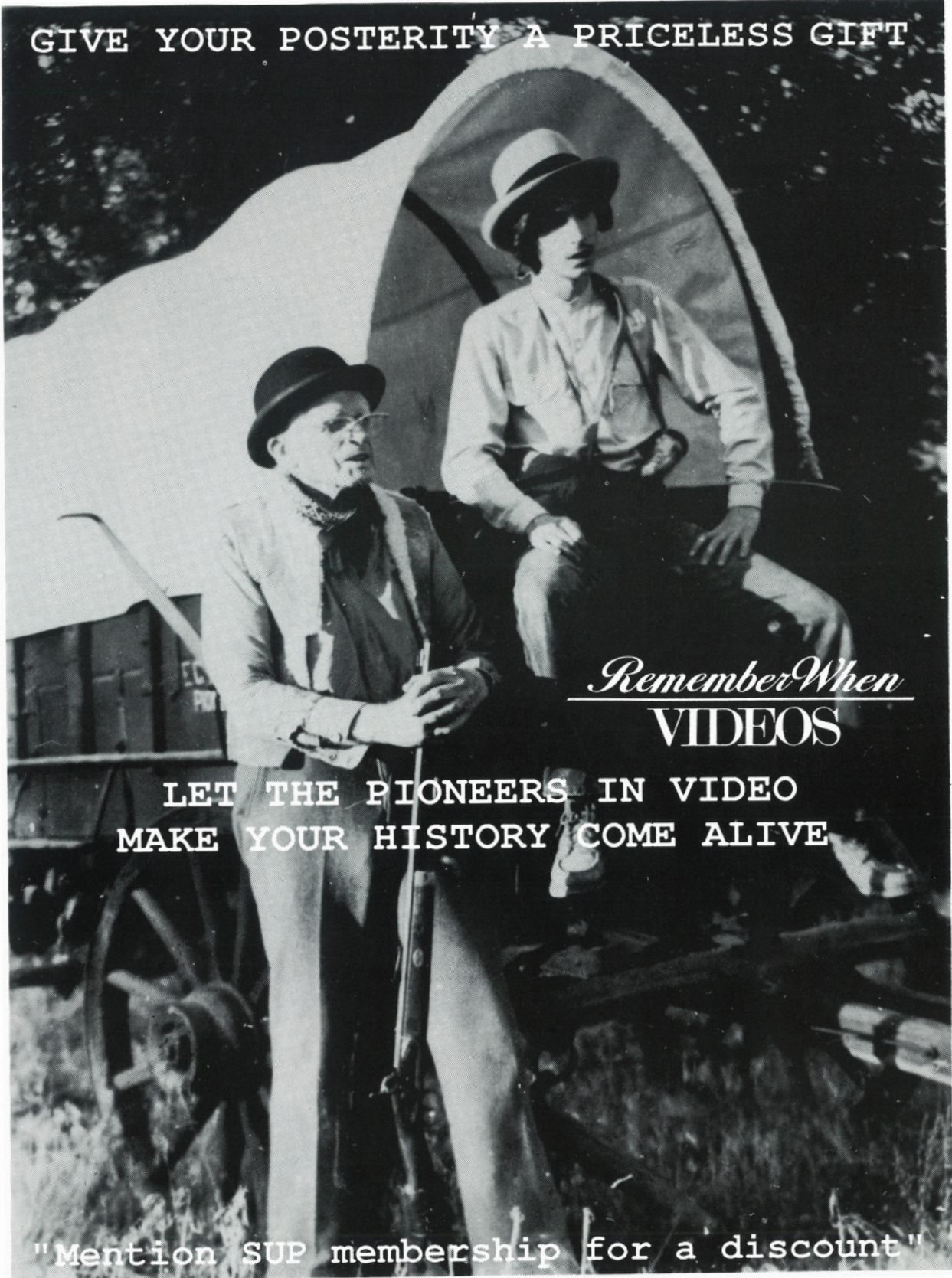


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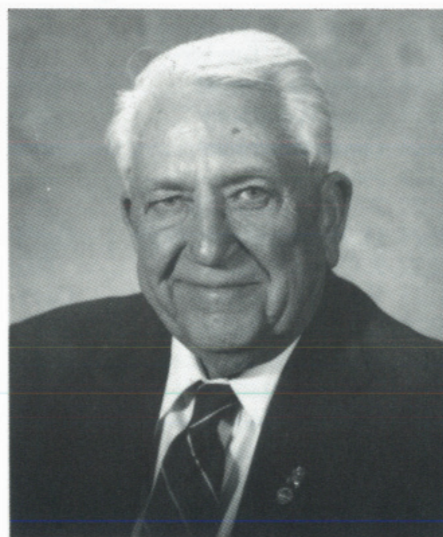
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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As we go into summer it suddenly registered how fast the months are slipping by. The year will soon be half gone. We have much to look back on that we have accomplished and much to still look forward to that should be accomplished.

We have the two special holidays approaching which brings to mind how much we owe this great nation and Brigham Young in daring to cross the nation to bring his people to this beautiful place. We hear of how barren this valley was but we know that Brigham Young made use of the water that was here and built some of the first dams in North America to store that water.

While we pay recognition to the great Pioneer leaders, let us stop and recognize others who have done much for our organization. Dale and Beverly

Holbrook, recently called on a mission to So. Africa, generously made out a check to the SUP to pay for life memberships and tile for some of their children. \$660.00 is not a small amount when you are leaving for a mission. We really appreciate their sacrifice in our behalf.

Another great item was when we received a check from the Executor of Mrs. Louise C. Neilsen's will. We were informed that she had left the SUP \$1,000.00. How very thoughtful of her. We hope that some of our members will also remember to include the SUP in their wills.

Along with these monetary donations were some other important donations of time and money. Clyde Collett, acting for the Pioneer Heritage Chapter, led a group of men in painting the Pioneer hall, the Heritage Hall and a class room, plus touching up a hall and some other work that needed doing.

Max Wheelwright, President of the Canyon Rim chapter, gathered some men together last month to clean and trim the yard of the SUP building. We hope you noticed how nice it looked to those who came to support our prestigious luncheon for Mr. Heath, Jon Huntsman and Maurice Abravanel.

We also want to thank Twins Peak Chapter for fertilizing our lawn. Along with the rain we have had, it has certainly made for a beautiful green lawn.

And speaking of that luncheon, we were pleased at the response of our members in coming to that special luncheon at which we honored The Right Honorable Edward Heath from Britain, Maestro Maurice Abravanel and Jon

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## ABOUT THE COVER:

Maurice Abravanel, Mrs. Jon Huntsman, representing her husband and The Right Honorable Edward Heath, former Prime Minister of England represent three pioneers of this century. The Sons of the Utah Pioneers latched a new motto for all chapters to follow:

**"Preserve the Past, Pioneer the Present, Shape the Future"**  
- for those who follow our footsteps.



Huntsman. Spencer Kinard was our MC and we want to thank him for his willingness to accept the assignment. He did such a beautiful job in tying it all together. You can read more about this luncheon elsewhere in the magazine.

We would like to mention two very important people who worked behind the scenes in putting things together so it ran smoothly. Afton Eddington, wife of Lisle of the Sugar House Chapter, worked with Florence Youngberg on the decorations which were very appropriate to the occasion with spring flowers, small handcars, and British and American Flags. There were the food arrangements, the awards, and the program plus all the arrangements for such an event. We thank all others who helped in any way to make this such a huge success.

We want to recognize the recent new chapters, Eastern Sierra in Reno, Nevada and Palmyra in Spanish Fork. We also chartered another new chapter last month in St. George, the Cotton Mission. We want to warmly welcome these people into our organization. We hope that they will find much enjoyment as they become involved with our programs.

We have the new program which will be coming out next year that involves the Seminaries of the Church. Most of you may have heard of it already. The students and instructors are being asked to research and write histories of their pioneer ancestors. These will be judged by a committee and the winners will be named at graduation time with the awards being made at our 1991 Encampment.

Speaking of the Encampment, we are looking forward to seeing all you good people at our Provo Encampment in August. It will be a most enjoyable time with lots to see and do.

May I close by saying "No one can reach everybody, but everybody can be reached by somebody". We want to thank all those who have so generously donated \$20.00 to the operations fund. It helps us immensely.

Thanks to each of you for making this 1990 year a huge success.

*Robert "Bob" Wagstaff*  
National President

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2128	Mack W. Olsen	BE
2129	Keith W. Wilcox	OgPi
2130	Douglas R. Ferrell	GI
2131	J. Paul Miles	TB

## NEW MEMBERS BY CHAPTER

At Large	2
Beehive	1
Brig. Young	11
Buena Ventura	2
Cotton Mission	9
Canyon Rim	1
Cedar City	5
East Mill Creek	3
Mills	3
Eastern Sierra	18
Geor. Alb. Smith	2
Holladay	1
Hurricane Valley	1
Jordan R. Temp.	4
Little Col. River	1
Mesa	12
Murray	1
Ogden Pioneer	4
Olympus Hills	1
Oquirrh Mts.	3
Palmyra	13
Parleys Hist. Pk	4
Red Rock	2
Salt Lake City	2
Settlement Canyon	3
So. Davis	12
Sugar House	2
Taylorsville/Bennion	6
Temple Quarry	3
The Mountain Valley	1
Twin Peaks	3
Tempe	1

## NEW MEMBERS SINCE May 1, 1990

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1006 Dean & Florence Freeman	BE
1007 Dale & Beverly Holbrook	PHP
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1009 Richter & Lynda Holbrook	PHP
1010 John & Sandra Holbrook	PHP
1011 Thomas & Lisa Holbrook	PHP
1012 Stephen & Tamara Snow	PHP
1013 Robert & Ruth Wagstaff	Oly H
1014 Wayne & Cheryl Moyle	Og Pi
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1017 Melissa A. Hatch	EMC
1018 Christopher L. Hanzon	EMC
1019 K.D. & Clara Montague	CR
1020 Robert & Beverly Rees	CR

### **NAME MEMORIALIZATIONS**

Gilbert McKinlay	ER	1
Robert Wagstaff	Oly H	1
Leon Jensen	Oly H	1

### **NAME MEMORIALIZATIONS BY CHAPTER**

At Large	5
Olympus Hills	3
Temple Fork	2
Eagle Rock	2

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## **YEAR TO DATE BUDGET - 1990**

CATEGORY	ANNUAL TOTAL
Bank Checking Interest	\$ 174.29
Building Tiles	1,330.00
Citibank 32-019416	713.16
Citibank 32-19499	1,061.87
Citibank 32-020505	528.27
Citibank 32-011447	1,608.25
Donations	10,269.18
Dues	990.00
H C Trans. Gen. Fund	9,000.00
Life Membership - Int.	5,253.04
Magazine Income	2,259.00
Name Memorialization	1,600.00
Spencer Madsen Din.	102.00
Treasury Note Feb 92	1,825.00
Treasury Note Mar 92	81.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 36,785.06</b>
Awards Dinner	(405.10)
Building - Garbage	175.00
Building - Insurance	3,377.00
Building - Linen	103.62
Building - Maintainence	412.29
Building - Plumbing	.00
Building - Snow Plow	630.00
Building - Yard	.00
Chptr Expenses plaques	(428.00)
Cultural Exchange	(325.49)
Grandson	(285.20)
Life Membership Exp.	(3.16)
Magazine - Postage	836.11
Magazine - Printing	6,199.00
Office - A T & T Phones	588.71
Office - Exp. Supply	2,006.79
Office — Post. Meter	425.00
Office — Printing	183.75
Office — Pitney Bowes	76.50
Payroll — Custodian	2,257.71
Payroll — Exec. Sec.	1,152.57
Payroll — Secretary	3,763.83
Payroll - Tax Fed	1,108.78
Payroll - Tax Utah	(2.04)
Payroll - Emp. withhold .	89.74
Pioneer Float	339.00
SUP Advertising	352.50
Seminar Expense	(42.35)
Service Chg - Val. Bank	121.04
Utilities — Electric	2,488.86
Utilities — Gas	2,179.01
Utilities — Sewer	64.00
Utilities — Telephone	595.57
Utilities — Water	35.31
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 28,070.35</b>
<b>TOTAL OF INCOME MINUS EXPENSE</b>	<b>\$ 8,714.71</b>





### **President-Elect Nomination by Holladay Chapter Frank A. Brown**

I was born in Salt Lake City. My family moved to the Millcreek area when I was 5 years old, and I lived in this area until August 1949, when I married Jeanne Thygeron.

In April 1950 my wife and I moved into the Holladay area and we built our current home in 1957, which is one block North of the Cottonwood Mall, and have resided there for 33 years.

We have raised 6 children and I have been active in the L.D.S. church all my life, holding positions in each organization and priesthood quorums. I have also served a stake mission in the Holladay Stake. I am currently serving as the ward clerk in the Holladay 11th Ward for the past four years. I am also currently serving on the Holladay/Cottonwood Community Council as the chairman which I have been elected to for the last 3 years. My wife and I are currently serving as ordinance workers in the Salt Lake Temple.

On May 1, 1963 I joined the Salt Lake County Fire Department and rose up the ranks from Firefighter 1st Grade, Lieutenant, Captain, Battalion Chief. I held the position of Fire Marshal in this Department for 5 years, with supervision of the Fire Prevention Bureau. On May 1, 1990 I retired from the Fire Department after 27 years of service.

I joined the Sons of Utah Pioneers, Holladay Chapter, in the fall of 1984. I became a Life Member in May 1985, #1239. I have served as a Director, President-Elect, President, Past-President of the Holladay Chapter. While I was President and Past President, the Holladay Chapter won Gold Awards. I was elected South-East Area Vice-President for the years 1988/89 and 1990/

91, and am currently serving in this capacity.

In accepting this nomination for President-Elect I am fully aware of the responsibilities that come with it and am fully prepared to make the time available for this offices. □

### *Charlotte*

*A tomboy with the name Charlotte*

*Came to play on our spot.*

*She ought not to be one of us.*

*A girl! How ridiculous!*

*But she played marbles, fished and climbed,*

*If kosher, she didn't mind.*

*We called her "Chuck" to make it short.*

*For she became our main support.*

*From Verdun three of us came back.*

*Just me and Bob and lanky Jack.*

*When we came home to roam the town;*

*A lady in a shapely gown*

*Came floating toward us like a swan.*

*"Hello Vincent, Robert, John."*

*Gent-like we looked, man-like we thought,*

*But soft-like we spoke her name "Charlotte."*

*H. Bartley Heiner*

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*Now one of her descendants  
With an eighth of Indian stock,  
Married a forty-niner  
with but little in his sock.*

*This handsome forty-niner  
Found he had in one full sweep,  
Seven Whites and one Indian,  
Making him a rich Bo-peep.*

*When at Haskell Institute  
With Indians and tribes galore,  
Out peeps this little Indian  
Unfrocking her Indian lore.*

*A detail most entrancing  
In the early foggy morn,  
Is to know which you're greeting  
Seven Whites or the Indian born.*

*In family planning sessions,  
When money begins to pinch,  
Seven Whites will move in rhythm;  
When the eighth won't budge an inch.*

*But you'll never imagine  
How exciting it can be;  
When there's a Paiute Indian  
Sitting in your family tree.*

*Anson Call's cup of flour  
Gave an Indian babe her life.  
The cup hath runneth over  
Giving me a lovely wife.*

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## **FLORENCE YOUNGBERG**

### **A GREAT LADY**

We cannot hold back any longer in giving recognition to a Great Lady. Florence Youngberg is a very important person in our present society. She is an asset in any station of life. She can serve efficiently in any civic position and trust in public service. Especially now in the office of the Sons of Utah Pioneers where she is the Administrative Assistant. Florence is forthright in her deliberations, honesty, integrity, dependability, understanding and leadership. She has the ability to direct programs with dexterity and dispatch.

You can imagine how reliable she is in her home, with her fine husband Glen and her lovely children. You can bet on her to get the job done, her home is run very efficiently, orderly. And last but not least, there is love, respect and beauty all around.

Florence is no stranger to the "pioneer spirit". She comes from good pioneer stock on both her mother's and father's side of her family. She knows how to "Plow new ground". Her great grandfather, Benjamin Franklin Cummings and his wife Mary Jane Yearsley were early residents of Nauvoo. The Yearsley home still stands in Nauvoo, the only three story structure, unrestored because of its good condition, as a monument to its builder. It is being used today as a functional building of that restoration project. Benjamin Franklin Cummings and his wife came to the Salt Lake Valley in the second company that entered the valley. He later opened the Salmon River mission in

1855. He was a man of the buckskin, a doer with much accomplishment to his credit who sought no acclaim. Florence's mother's family, George Saville and Ellen Woodstock were of the same kind of hardy stock.

Florence was born and lived her young life in Highland Park. Her life as a child and young teenager was entwined with the Hugh B. Brown, Earl J. Glade, Clarence Tingey and many other well known church families of that area and time. She attended Highland Park Elementary, Bryant Jr. High, and East High School and later, the U. of U. for a short time. Florence met her husband-to-be while singing in the operetta "New Moon" at East, but she did not know it at the time. Shortly after her graduation from East high, her father Clarence had a very serious automobile accident in which his life was seriously threatened. At the time he was working for the Utah State Liquor Commission as an accountant. President Hugh B. Brown was the Commissioner. The family had no insurance and so would be left without any income. Florence was the only member of the family who could earn any money, so she asked President Brown if she could take her father's place at his job for the months he would need to recover. He very graciously consented to let her do this, and she carried that load until her father could be back on his job.

Florence took an interest in genealogy at the very early age of seventeen. This has stayed with her all of her life. She has served in many positions in her ward and stake. Glen and Florence married in August of 1948 and they

moved into the area just south of the present location of the SUP building. It was affectionately known in those days as "diaper flats" or by some as "rattlesnake flats". Florence was called to be the president of the Primary by Bishop Irvin Nydegger of the Canyon Rim Ward. She at that time decided on her own to organize the young people of the ward and teach in her home how to do research in genealogy. The class was very successful, and the children loved it and even to this day those children who now have children of their own remind her of the fun days that they experienced doing genealogy.

Florence's grandfather, James Devalson Cummings, was a great influence in the early development of the area south of Sugarhouse to the point of the mountain and from State Street east to the mountains. He was bishop in that area for many years. He wrote a set of 15 volumes of journals while he was bishop of the area, which Florence has placed in the archives of the church, that have much information about the church in that area. Cummings Ward which still stands on Highland Drive and about 3200 South was named for him.

Florence had a hand in the early days of the restoration of Nauvoo. Early on, when the project was getting started by T. Edgar Lyons, Florence contributed information from journals and gathered from the family about the early days in Nauvoo for it's background.

Florence is also in the process of writing a history of the Parley's Canyon Gully which treats the area from the lower part of the canyon to Sugarhouse. Since this area is adjacent to our building, it is of great interest to us. You would never guess what part this area played in the early development of industry in the valley.

Before Florence came to the SUP her work experience was diverse and she was always at the forefront of whatever effort she undertook. When she was much younger, she worked at Woolworth's. Later, even though she had no formal nurse's training she worked as a nurse and receptionist for Dr. V. M. Sevy. She worked for ZCMI in the Bridal Department. After leaving ZCMI to start her family, she was Bridal Consultant for the Deseret News where she wrote a weekly column called "Bridequette" on bridal etiquette. After getting her family a sufficient start, she

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*President Robert Wagstaff and the Right Honorable Edward Heath*

## ***Preserve the Past... Pioneer the Present... Shape the Future...***

The National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers launched the beginning of a new era to create public awareness of the Sons of Utah Pioneers locally, nationally and internationally. Three present day pioneers — The Right Honorable Edward Heath, former Prime Minister of England and musical artist of world wide note, Jon Huntsman, local industrialist of note, and Maestro Maurice Abravanel former director of the Utah Symphony, were honored at a Special Awards Luncheon on May 12, 1990 at our National Headquarters in Salt Lake City, Utah.

A large gathering of members, wives and friends sat down to a delightful luncheon.

President Robert Wagstaff, our National President welcomed everyone



*Spencer Kinard*

and introduced Spencer Kinard of KSL as the Master of Ceremonies for the afternoon.

Victoria Morris, wife of Gary Morris, a member of the S.U.P., a gifted singer and guest vocalist of the Tabernacle Choir, Utah Symphony and Utah Opera, sang three special numbers. Her accompanist was Carol Ambercrombie.

Spencer Kinard introducing the program and theme "Pioneers Past, Present and Future, remarked, "We are all indebted to the pioneers of every age and generation. Wherever we're from, whatever we do, there have been stout-hearted, fearless individuals before us with the faith to blaze new trails, to challenge impossible dreams, to set the standard for those who follow.

It is in honor of that pioneering spirit, in remembrance of those past pioneers who helped settle this Great Basin Valley, that the National Society of the Sons of the Utah Pioneers exists. We honor our forbearers by remembering them.

And we honor the pioneering spirit they exemplified by recognizing our contemporary pioneers, our guests of honor who have pioneered in their own way.

Like the wagon train pioneers of the last century who struggled and failed and sacrificed for what they believed, our honorees here today faced the same challenges in fulfilling their dreams.

May we in our service be as dedicated. May we meet our pioneering challenges as courageously and effectively as those who have gone before us, those who are here with us, and those who will follow us. It is for that pioneering spirit - past, present and future - that we honor our guests today.

When those Mormon pioneers trekked out here to these mountains 143 years ago they sang a hymn to bolster their commitment. It was written by an Englishman, William Clayton, and called "Come, Come Ye Saints" One of the last lines says: "And should we die before our journey's through... All is well. All is well!"

So might it be for all of us.

And now we will present our awards to our honorees.

To present our first award is a man who is a pioneer in his own right. He has been a dynamic force in Utah on many fronts throughout his life, including advertising, publishing, and the Utah

Symphony. He is a Life Member of the sons of Utah Pioneers and served as National President in 1947. Recently he was President of the London England Mission of L.D.S. Church. — Wendell Ashton.



*The Right Honorable Edward Heath and Wendell Ashton*

Mr. Ashton told about Mr. Heath and his work. He is a leading member of Parliament and a fine musician. While in Salt Lake, he led the Symphony Orchestra for their anniversary program and on Sunday morning he played the Tabernacle organ. He is a very talented person.

Mr Ashton presented Mr. Heath a porcelain figure of a handcart and family with a music box in it, which played 'Come Come Ye Saints.' On it was a plaque stating the reason for the award.

"The National Society of the Sons of Utah pioneers by these presents, honors the Rt. Hon. Edward Heath, former Prime Minister of the British Government and a leading Member of Parliament with forty years of patriotic service, and extends its appreciation to the British people, through their representatives, for contributing over 40,000 pioneer members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints from England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales who came to the Valley of the Great Salt Lake between the arrival of the first pioneers in July of 1847 and May 10th of 1869 when Governor Brigham Young celebrated the completion of the first East-West transcontinental railroad at Promontory, Utah. The British complement was almost half of the entire pioneer group of approximately 84,000. Presented this 12th day of May, 1990."

Mr. Heath responded by saying he accepted it on behalf of the British people and the United Kingdom, the Commonwealth of Nations and Her Majesty, the Queen. He said they were grateful to our society, the Church, and



the American people who have come to their aid in time of need. He said the Latter-day Saints are a tremendous people. Wherever we preach the Gospel, we are effective and doing good. He said he would use his influence to help our people at any time. He told about Europe and said that he felt the day was coming when it would become a United States of Europe.



*Lawrence Epperson and Mrs. Jon Huntsman*

The next award was presented by Lawrence Epperson former Executive Secretary of the SUP, to Mrs. Jon Huntsman who received it on behalf of her husband who was out of the Nation. Mr. Epperson told somewhat of Mr. Huntsman's work throughout the world. The award was a porcelain Seagull in flight. On the base was a plaque telling of his accomplishments.

"The National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers by these presents, honors Jon Huntsman, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Huntsman Chemical Corporation in recognition of his outstanding pioneering and humanitarian service in the International Community: For providing leadership and direction in guiding and inspiring one of the largest polystyrene product manufacturing organizations in the world according to principles inherent in the philosophy of Brigham Young and the early pioneers, who settled the great American West; for pioneering American business enterprises and making the results of his efforts available to many of the nations of the earth, including the Soviet Union; for endowing a Huntsman Center for Global Competition and Leadership at the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania where he graduated in 1959; and for initiating and sponsoring the World Senior Games in St. George, Utah, USA. Presented this 12th day of May, 1990."

The final award was presented by Mrs. Veronica Bettinson, of the Symphony Board. She told of her long acquaintance with Mr. Abravanel and the work he had done in making the symphony a living part of our state. She told of his work in bringing Willam Christensen back to direct the ballet and of forming the Utah Opera Company and all the work Mr. Abravanel had done with the youth of the state.



*Maurice Abravanel and Veronica Bettinson*

She presented him with a porcelain figurine of a seagull in flight with a plaque telling of his work in the state in the field of music.

"The National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers by these presents, honors Maestro Maurice Abravanel as an International Music pioneer who activated the Utah Symphony Orchestra. By virtue of his relentless quest for artistic excellence and constant inspiration to the musicians and staff, he enabled the Symphony to share great music with a wide spectrum of listeners from grade school to college, rural Utah residents, enthusiastic subscribers, and music lovers throughout the state, country, and world capitals.

Maestro Abravanel led the Utah Symphony on four triumphant international tours. He encouraged choreographer William Christensen to return to his native Utah and form a dance department at the University of Utah which is now the world famous Ballet West. Under his inspired leadership, the Symphony also furnished invaluable support to both Ballet West and the fabulous Utah Opera. Presented this 12th day of May, 1990."

Mr. Abravanel won a place in all our hearts with his delightful acceptance of the award and his talk on music in our state and his efforts to make it a part of the lives of each one of us and our children. He said he had no intention of ever moving from this beautiful state

and city. He said the Mormon people had treated him as though he was one of them. He said he had never been as happy in his life.

Mr. Wagstaff, National President, closed the meeting and luncheon with his thanks to those who had so ably put together the luncheon and program and decorations.

There were other special visitors who were introduced and welcomed during the program. Mr and Mrs. Reginald Holloway, Her Majesty's Consul General, General Sir Roy & Lady Redgrave, and Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Parker, host for Sir Roy Redgrave & Commander Bettinson Commander of the U.S. Navy ROTC at the University of Utah. □

## Lucifer

*by Craig C. Rosenberg  
son of Donald Rosenberg*

Beyond the realm of time you were a heavenly host  
with the Father, Son and Holy Ghost  
We called you Lucifer, beautiful angel of light  
with a radiance that shone so bright

You knew me there too and you knew the plan  
to leave that state and become a man  
to suffer pain, anguish, and fear  
to learn, love, and live, that's why I'm here

You could have been so much  
you could have brought glory  
you could have felt love  
You know the story  
you could have tasted life  
you could have defeated death  
you'll never walk or run  
not even take a breath

You wanted to be the Lord of Lords and Kings of Kings  
the supreme Savior to save all beings  
and exalt yourself above all other creatures  
to become the ruler of all the superior teachers

We girded up for battle and you were cast out  
a third of our family followed you out  
banished forever to a state you'll never leave  
I'm sure you regret, I'm sure you must grieve

Now you're a king proclaimed yourself a God  
You've made counterfeit of the Iron Rod  
you've cheated, you've lied  
you've perverted man to stand in the way of the Heavenly plan

But I say to you the Lord's time is at hand  
He will spread his glory all over this land  
For a thousand years you will be bound  
Righteousness will reign and you won't be found  
But your time will come to wage your last war  
then down will fall the great Babylon Whore  
and you won't have power  
you won't be a king  
you won't have life  
you won't have anything.



# SUP Sponsors Pioneer History Contest for Seminaries and Institutes

Approval has been given for a Pioneer History Contest sponsored jointly by the Sons of the Utah Pioneers (SUP) and the Church Educational System. Prizes will be awarded by the SUP for the best stories from each of three levels, ie. seminary students, institute students, and seminary/institute faculty. The purpose is to encourage family history writing by students and faculty, to benefit the SUP Library in Salt Lake City, and to bring attention to the Sons of the Utah Pioneers. The contest is not limited to males nor are the stories limited to just Utah pioneers. The categories of the contest are:

A. WRITTEN. Conduct special research by contacting family members, searching attics, garages, cellars, etc. Look for old letters, diaries, journals, local histories of communities, wards, stakes, newspapers for the period covered and local library collections for the times in question. Write a history using these materials. Cite sources in footnotes or at the end of the histories.

B. CASSETTES. Research or create oral histories by interviewing second and third generation ancestors still living and/or have members of the current generation put written histories on tapes for current and future descendants.

C. VIDEOTAPE. Organize, in chronological order, slides, photographs, and other sources, and have them videotaped with appropriate commentary by members of the family. Special true stories of inspirational and faith promoting events, etc. could be acted out.

Judging will be done by a panel from CES, the Church Historical Department and the Sons of the Utah Pioneers. The entries will be deposited in the SUP Library in Salt Lake City with copies donated to the Church Historian's Department.

Winners will be awarded prizes as follows: Seminary student winner: \$300; Institute student winner: \$500; Seminary/Institute faculty member:

\$750.

Deadline for Submission: 1 March 1991. Presentation of Awards: 1 May 1991. □

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HOUSE OF COMMONS

22 May 1990

*Dear Mr Wagstaff.*

On my return to London I am writing to thank you for the splendid lunch you gave in my honour and for the magnificent presentation made to me afterwards.

It was a ceremony which I shall never forget. The hand cart and musical box standing in my home will always remind me of this remarkable day.

*With best wishes  
Yours sincerely  
Edward Heath*

Mr Robert Wagstaff  
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President Robert Wagstaff receives a letter of Thanks from the Right Honorable Edward Heath



## DONATIONS ARE GREATLY APPRECIATED AND NECESSARY!

For some time now, we, your National officers, have suggested that donations be made to our society for whatever reason you may have. In some cases we have requested a specified amount. At other times, we have just asked that donations of work, materials for projects be given to help with expenses. Some of you have been quick to donate whatever you could afford and it has all been appreciated greatly.

Some time ago, it was suggested that a donation be made in a will. We would like to express our thanks and gratitude to the family of Louise Nielsen, age 93, who recently passed away. She left a donation of \$1,000.00 for the Sons of Utah Pioneers. We hope others of our members will follow suit when the time comes. Mrs. Nielsen is the wife of the late Peter Walchmore Nielsen. □

## FAREWELL AND HELLO

For those of you who have been a part of the activities in our National building, you may have met our custodian, Virgil Marcum and his lovely wife Libby as they opened the building or closed it or you may have seen them as they worked around the building.

Virgil has found it expedient to quit working for us. We will miss him and want him to know that his work around the building is much appreciated. It is a big job to care for the yard and for a building this size, let alone having to do the extra work entailed when the building is used for the many activities that go on here.

We want Virgil to know that his efforts have not gone unnoticed nor have they been unappreciated. Sometimes we get so used to such things as the building being clean or set up or the lawns cut that we take it as a natural thing that it will be done.

If you see Virgil, be sure to say

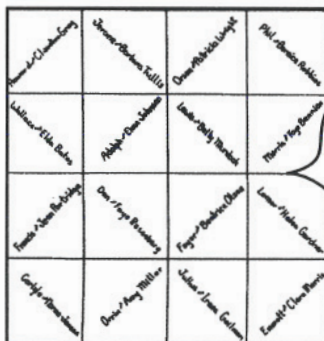
"Thanks a lot".

Taking his place will be another fine man, Ted Lauritzen, who has been working with Virgil for the past several weeks learning what his job is.

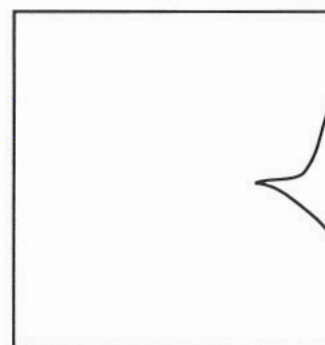
Ted has recently moved up here from St. George with his family and is living a couple of blocks from the SUP building which makes it handy for him in the work he will be doing for us here at the National. His wife Vickie is a lovely person that we hope we will all be able to get acquainted with. His son Tim, has been doing the yard work for the last few weeks. Yard care is Tim's business and we know he is doing an excellent job. Ted has 5 other children and he says they all work together like families should.

We want to welcome Ted and Tim as valuable parts of our organization and let Ted know that we appreciate his efforts to keep the building in good repair and ready for our use. □

## What one wall said to the other...



Look at me!  
I'm all  
covered up.



HELP!  
I'm naked.  
Please cover  
me up.

*Are your names, your children's names, your grandchildren's names on tile? If not please help us cover the wall – just \$35.00 a tile. We need your help, please!*



*Florence continued from page 7*

was called upon by George Staples who was starting the Granite Education Association, an attempt to start a professional teaching association to better the quality of teaching in that district. For years the effort grew and prospered and was effective in that area. Florence was called upon to write a history of the organization, which she did in fine fashion. Later on, some of the elected officials in the organization decided to invite some union organizers from Detroit to come here as consultants, and from that point onward the organization changed from a professional organization to a union. Florence left the organization because she could no longer subscribe to it's tenets. From there Florence heard that SUP was asking for volunteer help. She decided that she could work a couple of days each week, and could be some help. After some time the load became heavier at SUP and President John Nielsen, who was President of Canyon Rim Stake at the time and was also SUP Executive Secretary asked if she would spend full time at SUP. That was eight years ago.

In addition to her life at SUP, she still carries a full load in her church assignments. She is Stake Coordinator for the FREP Extraction Program. She has been very active in the church wide development of this program. She spends many hours each week in administering this program in addition to her regular shift from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day at SUP.

In between times, Florence has published 2 books on her family history. One is a work of considerable size of 533 pages on her mother's line, the Saville Family. She is working on her own life story, a work of ample length and probably much more. She says she will have to live a long life to get all of the things done that the Lord wants her to do. So be it. We wish her well and we feel fortunate at SUP to have her with us. □

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## **SUGARHOUSE CHAPTER AND MORMON BATTALION TREK TOGETHER**

A joint trip was enjoyed by 16 members and their wives of the Sugarhouse Chapter, Pres. Albert Hall Jr. and 23 members of the Mormon Battalion, Col. Paul Madsen, National Commander. The trip began on May 2, with a visit and tour of the Manti Temple. We were privileged to visit places in the temple never before seen by many. President Olsen, of the Manti Temple, was a perfect host.

The group proceeded on to spend the night in St. George. The following morning they departed for the Las Vegas Temple. The spirit, beauty and splendor was enjoyed by everyone.

The next morning was enjoyed with a session at the St. George Temple. That afternoon a tour of Pine Valley and the site of the Mountain Meadow Massacre was enjoyed by all.

Saturday, the 5th of May and the last day of our tour, we proceeded to Zions National Park, then on to Hatch, Utah, where we joined the Meltiah Hatch Family. They were having a family reunion in honor of Pvt. Hatch, a member of Co. C of the Mormon Battalion. There were over 150 in attendance to witness the placement of a special marker in his honor. All arrived home safe, sound and hungry that night.

A great big credit goes to Maj. Fred Newson, who is Trekmaster for the Battalion and the Sugarhouse Chapter.

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This massive, rose-pink granite, triangular shaped memorial has effectively perpetuated the memory of those Mormons who fought for the United States in the Mexican War in 1846, with its heroic, bronze figure of Battalion Infantryman and its high relief scenes depicting life in the Battalion.

Unfortunately, the years have taken their toll and the monument, erected sixty-three years ago at the cost of \$200,000.00 is badly in need of repair and restoration.

The modern U.S. Mormon Battalion, Inc., under the leadership of Colonel Paul Madsen, Commander, has entered into an agreement similar with the original one in 1927, wherein one-half of the funds required would be raised by private subscription and the other one-half to be provided by the State of Utah.

The total cost of restoration will be \$360,000.00. As of this date, some funds have been raised, but much more help is needed to bring this drive for funds to a successful completion.

All those who are interested in Utah and Mormon history and who wish to perpetuate the memory of one of the outstanding events in our Pioneer history are urged to send their contribution to:  
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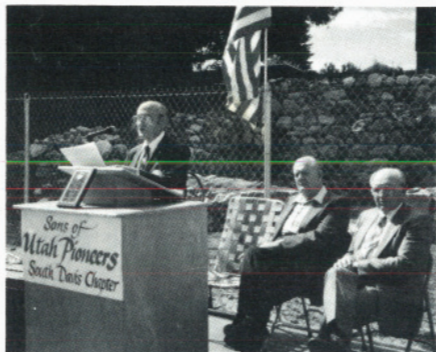
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# SOUTH DAVIS CHAPTER DEDICATES "ORIGINAL GRISTMILL STONES" MONUMENT



V. Vee Reynolds, President presenting a history of the mill, Howard B. Stringham, National Area V.P. and Morris Bennion, National Past President

On June 2, 1990 the South Davis Chapter of the Sons of Utah Pioneers held their dedication of the "Original Gristmill Stones" monument. V. Vee Reynolds, President of South Davis Chapter officiated. President Reynolds welcomed all those in attendance and announced the program. Howard B. Stringham, National Area Vice President played a stirring rendition of "God Bless America" after which Charles N. Barlow, Program Chairman and life member of the SUP, gave the opening prayer. Walter W. Willey, Treasurer, lead everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance. V. Vee Reynolds then gave a history of the Heber C. Kimball gristmill and the stones which were used in the monument.

Heber C. Kimball, First Counselor to Brigham Young in the first presidency of the church, was instrumental in the construction of the first gristmill in Davis County. In 1851, Heber C. Kimball called his family together and told them of the need of a flour mill in North Canyon Ward, now Bountiful. He thought it would be a good investment, so asked for their cooperation. They were all willing. The site was surveyed by Jesse W. Fox, Heber C. Kimball and Frederick Kesler, August 1, 1852. The architect for the building was Frederick Kesler, and the machinery for the finished mill was installed by Appleton Harmon.

Daniel Davis, the adopted son of Heber C. Kimball wrote in his diary:

"On the 18th day of October, 1852,

I went into North Mill Canyon for the purpose of clearing away the brush from the ground where father planned to build the flour mill. The ground had been staked off by father, Brother Fox and Brother Kesler and it measured forty-eight by thirty feet. I did most of the hauling of the stone for the foundation, the timber and the adobes. The spirit of building was growing among the people.

Wednesday, April 20, 1853, Brother Isaac Hunter, James Leach and myself laid the southeast and northwest cornerstones for the foundation of the gristmill. I was mouth of the southeast corner and Brother Hunter for the northwest. Brother Hunter did the masonry work with Brother Leach as tender. May 6th, Isaac Hunter laid the south cornerstone and Father was present and dedicated and consecrated it and the mill and all pertaining to the mill, the ground and the water unto the building up of Zion and for the good of the Saints. I spent most of the time about the mill. In July 1853, raised the attic story of the mill. On August 10, we finished laying the adobes to the gristmill. I assisted Brother Isaac Hunter in laying the first stones for the gristmill and helped him to finish even to the topping of the chimney. When I returned home from Green River in the month of August, 1854, the new flour mill was all finished and we looked upon it with pride. Its' foundation was rock, solid walls, adobe with sandstone trimmings, gave it dignity."

The exact day of completion of the building and beginning of operation is not known, but it is definite that it was sometime during the fall of 1853. The mill was again dedicated by Heber C. Kimball, after which a dinner was given at his home. After the mill building was finished and before the machinery was installed, a dance was given. A jolly company gathered and the fiddlers played the dance tunes of the times. Lunch was a feature of those pioneer dances. When the time came to go home, rain was pouring and the night was pitch dark, so they danced until morning. It was an ingenious solution to a vexing problem. How better to solve

it?

The pond to store the water was excavated on the south side of the mill and water was taken out of the mill creek a few rods up stream. For a number of years, all baptism in Bountiful into the Church took place in this mill pond. Sister Foy, who is 91 years of age, indicated that her mother was one of those who was baptized in the old mill pond.

The water from the mill pond was taken to the mill in a race, or wooden flume, which fell on a water wheel, which was an overshot type located in the northwest portion of the basement floor, and which in turn furnished the power to operate the gristmill. The water was then sent out of the mill and returned to Mill Creek, none the worse for wear and usage.

The first flour mills in the Valley used mill stones to grind the grain. They were made in Salt Lake City by Benjamin T. Mitchell, and had to be taken from a hard but cellular silicious stone, secured at Black Rock, west of Salt Lake City. Some French burrs were used in gristmills throughout Utah, but it has been definitely established that none were imported from France prior to 1861.

According to Benjamin T. Mitchell's own story: "Soon after I arrived I went to work at stone cutting for Brigham Young. I was closely associated with President Brigham Young, Truman Angell, and others in drawing the plans for the Salt Lake Temple, served as one of the committee appointed to decide whether sandstone or granite should be used in the construction of the foundation of the Temple, and had active charge of stone cutting for a number of years.

"When work was going on, I was building for myself and jobbing for others occasionally as opportunity permitted, cutting ninety-six run of millstones, large and small." The mill operation was no small undertaking as Archibald Gardner, a miller declared: "The mill was inspired. One time I put a grist of 20 bushel in the sink and in one hour it was ground."

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The millstones consisted of two flat cylindrical stones enclosed with a wooden or sheet metal base. The lower stone, or bed stone, was permanently fixed, while the upper stone, or runner, was accurately pivoted and balanced over it. The average size was about three to four feet in diameter and twelve or more inches in thickness. This corresponds perfectly with these two stones which we have incorporated in our monument. The smaller stone has a diameter of 44 inches and is 16 inches thick. This was the runner stone. The larger one, the bed stone, is 54 inches in diameter and 12 inches thick. They were generally built up of segments, bound together around the circumference by an iron loop and backed by plaster of paris. Both of these stones are constructed exactly that way.

The bed stone was dressed to a flat surface and a series of grooves or shallow depressions were cut into it. The grooves on both stones were made to correspond exactly so that when the one rotated over the other, the sharp edges had the effect of cutting, squeezing and grinding the grain. The upper stone, or runner, was set in motion by a spindle on which it was mounted and the spindle was passed up through the center of the bed stone. That is why the larger of these two stones, or the bed stone, has a 9" square center hole. There were screws and other appliances for adjusting and balancing the runner. The smaller but thicker stone has a steel yoke in the

center, and a key slot to hold it securely while rotating above the bed stone. Further provision was made for the passing of air to prevent too high a heat being generated in the grinding operation. The greatest destructor of gristmills was fire, most often originating in the grinding process.

There were small sweepers to convey the flour to the meal spout, after which the meal was carried to a flour dressing machine and was passed through wire or silk cloth of different degrees of fineness.

Just as a passing remark, several people have wondered why the old mill fell into decay after it was shut down. You have to remember that in those days, they did not have cement readily available, although it had been used for centuries, consequently the mortar for the rocks and adobes was made of a lime mortar, with no cement in it, and subsequently could not withstand the ravages of time and weather. It was not that cement was not in use, it was just not available to the pioneer builders at the time.

At the conclusion of his history of the mill, President Reynolds asked if there were any questions and one young lady wanted him to tell of the finding of the stones in the first place. President Reynolds responded by telling them of the construction of a debris catch basin which was just to the rear of the spectators and in full view. Davis County, in cooperation with Bountiful City,

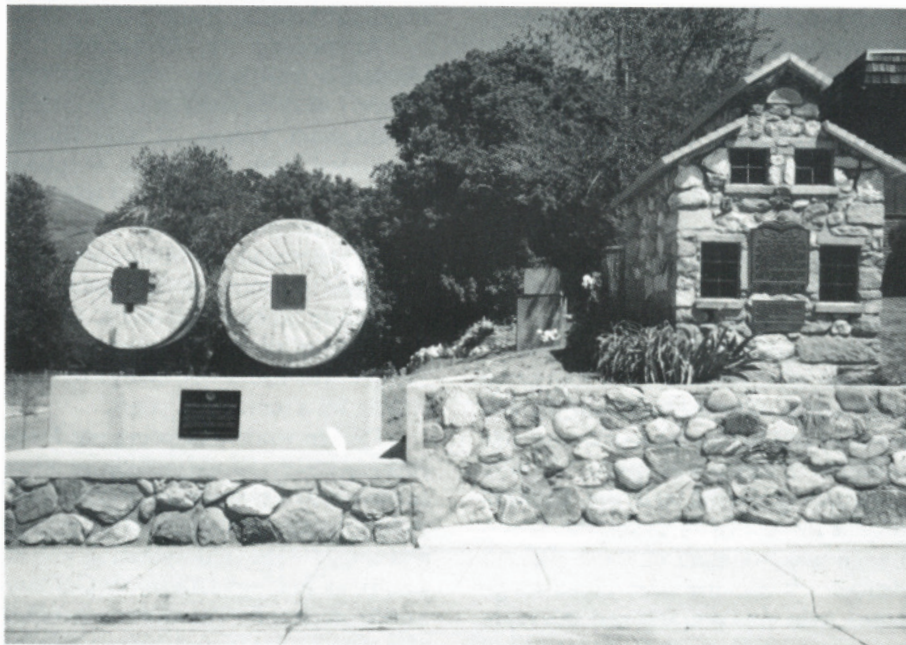
constructed this debris catch basin. It was during this excavation of the basin site that these two original gristmill stones were uncovered and found to be in remarkably good condition after all these intervening years. As President Reynolds read from the plaque: Permission was granted the South Davis Chapter, Sons of Utah Pioneers, to construct this monument so as to complement and enhance the Daughters of Utah Pioneers replica of the old mill, and their monument, located just to the right of this monument. Thanks is given to all who had a hand in making this effort a reality and being able to bring back a few memories of our Pioneer Ancestors."



*Cloyd D. Seeley, 2nd Vice Pres. removing the tree stump from the smaller stone. Note the Debris Catch Basin in the background.*

Time was then turned over to Morris Bennion, Past President of the National, who spoke on gristmills in the area and on the efforts and rewards of the South Davis Chapter in bringing this monument to a successful conclusion. He then dedicated the monument.

The construction of the entire monument was taken on by the officers of the South Davis Chapter. Members of the chapter, other than officers, were not included in the construction effort. President Reynolds indicated the reason for going this way was to free the younger members who work and have other duties and obligations to perform, whereas the officers are all retired. The five officers, ranging in age from 70 to 76, completed the project in exactly one month. A great deal of time and effort was



*SUP "Original Gristmill Stones" Monument on the left alongside the DUP replica of the Heber C. Kimball Gristmill*





*Gristmill Stones just as they were when dug from the ground. Notice the tree growing out of the smaller one.*

expended, as well as a lot of chapter money in this tremendous undertaking. President Reynolds remarked: "You should have seen us the day we hauled the rock from the old foundation up the hill to the site in wheelbarrows. Some of the rocks weighed over 200 pounds and it took a man with a rope pulling the wheelbarrow and a man pushing it uphill." Age of the five men who hauled rock were 70, 74, 74, 75 and 76 years of age. You can't tell South Davis Chapter that older men are not able to work when the situation requires it.

President Bennion was pleased, to say the least, with the efforts of South Davis Chapter, and was generous of his

praise for the finished monument. It is hoped that it will last for generations to come to see and think of their pioneer heritage. It was a project worthy of thanks from the entire community.

Officers who took part in the construction of the monument were: V. Vee Reynolds, President; Wylo D. Reynolds, President Elect; Cloyd D. Seeley, Second Vice President; Howard B. Stringham, National Area Vice President and Secretary of the South Davis Chapter; and Walter W. Willey, Treasurer. Several members have contributed cash donations toward the construction costs. □



*V. Vee Reynolds, President rests after completion of the SUP "Original Gristmill Stones" Monument.*

## **ENCAMPMENT HOUSING INFORMATION**

We are now able to give full information regarding housing for the 1990 Encampment. Housing will be arranged and paid for on an individual basis. Because local hotels/motels are usually fully booked during August we have arranged blocks of non-smoking rooms to be held at certain motels until July 1st. These rooms will be available on a first to reserve basis and will be at commercial or better rates, providing you mention rooms are being booked for the SUP Encampment.

We have also arranged a block of on-campus housing at BYU's Deseret Towers. These are nice, air conditioned rooms with individual keys, conveniently located for Encampment activities. Adequate, adjacent parking is available. Each room has two single beds, with sheets, blanket and towels provided. Each floor has two bath room/shower units, centrally located. Cost is \$8.00 per person per night, and rooms are available only on a three night booking (four if you are coming a day early). BYU does not take housing reservations; it is to be done through Max C. Robinson, Encampment housing chairman, by phoning his personal residence (801) 226-1782, 133 Westview Drive, Orem, Utah 84058. Your reservation will then be held for ten days after your phone call, allowing time for full payment by check (payable to SUP, By Chapter) to be received by Mr. Robinson. Your cancelled check will be your receipt. Check-in time is 3:00 P.M.

Off-campus housing accommodations are listed below. All are within ten minutes driving time of the campus. LOCATION is indicated by a number, with the lowest number indicating those nearest the BYU Campus where most activities will be held. Two ASTERISKS indicate those holding a block of rooms at COMMERCIAL OR BETTER rates, providing you mention SUP. All housing is in Provo.

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#1 Comfort Inn  
1553 North Canyon Road  
801-374-7020\*\*

#1 Royal Inn  
55 East 1230 North  
801-373-0800\*\*

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- #1 Cottontree Inn  
2230 N. University Parkway  
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- #1 Day's Village Inn  
1675 North 200 West  
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- #2 Columbian Motel  
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- #2 Excelsior Hotel  
101 West 100 North  
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# 1990 ENCAMPMENT

## AUGUST 9-11, 1990

SUP members and spouses are encouraged to mail registrations for the annual encampment, using the form Provided on the next page or make a copy to avoid cutting the magazine. Send your check and names to Harold Laycock, 734 North 440 West, Provo, Utah 84601. Cost is \$75 per person, which includes all meals and events from the welcoming banquet on Thursday evening through the President's banquet on Saturday evening. Those wishing to ride on the Heber Creeper on Friday should add \$15.00 per person. Some 150 paid registrations were received postmarked before June 1. A large group from Arizona has reserved some of the remaining on-campus housing at \$8 per person per night; more is available on and off campus.

We would like to share some unique facets of the Brigham Young University which most visitors never see. Arrangements are being made to have Brigham Young Chapter member Wells Cloward, who managed the largest food operation in Utah for over 30 years, guide us on a tour through the food preparation areas behind the scenes in the Ernest L. Wilkinson Center (our banquet on Thursday, luncheon and President's Dinner on Saturday will be in the Center's Ballroom, our Friday dinner will be in the Memorial Lounge); former faculty members of the College of Fine Arts and Communications Harold Laycock and Ralph Britsch (also Chapter members) will lead us behind the scenes in the Harris Fine Arts Center, to see the stagecraft, costuming, television and radio broadcast facilities, the five theaters and the major art galleries there (our own program will be presented Friday evening in the Dejong Concert Hall, a Salzburg style facility); for those interested in sports and sports medicine, the training facilities in the bowels of the cavernous Marriott Center will be impressive, with a look at the VIP areas the public never sees, taking the elevator to the main floor. Other facilities in the Richards Building and the Fieldhouse can also be visited, as wished by attendees.

Presentations on the earliest white men to see Utah valley and record it in 1776, and on pioneer photography will be optionally available. The Monte L. Bean Museum exhibits, collections, and presentations in the auditorium, and visits behind the public areas to see what the general public rarely sees will also be options. As a last opportunity, the Earth Sciences Museum, with some of the largest fossil dinosaur remains is projected to close to the public at the end of the summer. Attendees can be escorted to see the largest dinosaur skull ever found, in preparation work under the stadium. Although not available to the general public, the actual electronic tubes made by Philo T. Farnsworth in inventing television can be seen by attendees. For those interested in family history, the immense resources of the Harold B. Lee Library will be available, with arrangements to see some of the most valuable holdings, including a page from the Gutenberg Bible.

Off campus visits to the Provo Tabernacle can be arranged and the Provo Temple will be open. For those interested in visiting the Utah Valley Community College (current enrollment exceeds 7000), whose main campus is in Orem, the former president, Brigham Young SUP member Wilson Sorensen will tour visitors through that facility on Thursday afternoon. On Friday afternoon, the George Albert Smith Chapter will welcome visitors to the Pioneer Museum they maintain in Provo with the aid of the Daughters of Utah Pioneers. They will have their Pioneer Village functioning, with smithy, forge, and other activities. Janice Kapp Perry on music and Mary Dell Peterson on Eliza R. Snow will be featured in the Saturday women's program. We hope to give our members, whose tithing helped build this modern university, a 'shareholders' view of the "Y". We look forward to sharing this time with you.

For the ambitious, materials on other activities in the area are provided to those sending registration. As hosts, the Brigham Young SUP Chapter members are eager to see you here! □



# ENCAMPMENT REGISTRATION FORM

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This fee covers everything, except housing, for the time you are here, including all meals, entertainment for Thursday, Friday, and Saturday.

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- ☐ Secured Gallery
- ☐ Eyring Science Bldg. w/pendulum/planetarium
- ☐ Cavernous Marriott Center
- ☐ Pioneer Village & Museum in Provo
- ☐ Guided Tour to Provo Tabernacle
- ☐ Provo Temple



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In a tale nearly as heart-wrenching as the Hole In the Rock story, the colonists in Mexico carved their niche in the chronicles of Utah/Mormon history. After having been advised by President John Taylor to cross the border into Mexico, dozens of polygamist families left their homes and headed south. By mid-May of 1885, nearly four hundred prospective colonists waited eagerly on the banks of the Casas Grandes River, hoping that the Church authorities could secure the land promised them. However, months passed, and still the tangled web of land titles was unresolved. One colonist, Joseph Fish, gives us a picture of the situation.

*"Time was dragging heavily on my hands... We were camped out on the open prairie exposed to the storms and rays of the sun... Under these circumstances, I was feeling disappointed in our attempt to colonize. I was doing nothing for my family at home and spending every cent that I brought with me. We were going half fed and half clothed and to add to our anxiety the prospect of getting a place was apparently more distant than the day we arrived here."*



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In October, while the air is clear and sharp, and the apple harvest is at its peak, we have planned a nostalgic visit to these colonies. If you have ties to those many families who were a part of this colonization, or if you merely have an interest in the area, we invite you to join us on this memorable tour.

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## OLYMPUS HILLS CHAPTER INTRODUCES BOARD



We would like to have everyone meet the members of the Olympus Hills Chapter Board for 1990. This Board has already shown much leadership and have many plans for the rest of the year. They keep the chapter jumping. Front row, l to r: Edward Jackson, Historian; Elmo St. Jeor, 1st Vice Pres; Leon Jensen, Pres; Thomas Hawkins, Treas; Melvin Hallen,

Sec; Bud Dunn, 2nd Vice Pres; Earl Duerden, Trails & Landmarks. Second row, l to r: Harold Bell, Dir; Keith Curtis, Pres. Elect; Wren Egan, Awards Chairman; Pete Nelson, Past Pres; Wendell Packer, Life Members Chairmen; Gordon Godfrey, Dinner Chairmen. Paul Wainwright, Dir. -not shown □

## CEDAR CITY CHAPTER REPORTS ACTIVITIES

Newly elected Pres. Lawrence Davis and his board members are excited about taking the reins of the Cedar City Chapter of the Sons of Utah Pioneers for the year of 1990. In February a dinner meeting, under the direction of Bro. & Sis. Allan Garfield, was held to celebrate Valentines Day and to express our love to our sweethearts. An enjoyable day in March, headed by Bro. & Sis. Lynn Green, was spent in St. George, Utah visiting the Temple Visitors Center and Brigham Young's winter home. After a delicious lunch at the park, we continued to Jacob Hamblin's home in Santa Clara. The two homes are very different in design and furnishings. In Brigham Young's home, because oak wood was hard to obtain in this area, the craftsmen were skilled in finishing pine wood from Pine Valley Mountain to have the look of oak. Craftsmen also finished pine and metal on the fireplaces to have the appearance of beautiful marble. Many of the luxurious furnishings are original.

We found the Jacob Hamblin home to be more modest, but very unique. The



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first strange thing the ladies noticed was that there was no kitchen; the cooking was done over the fire in the fireplaces. The weaving looms and spinning wheels are not a common part of the furnishings we see in homes today.

The old Hebron Cemetery, west of Enterprise, Ut. was doubly interesting with Clint Hunt, one of our active members sharing many experiences of his ancestors who were buried there. The cemetery is in a remote area and is no longer used for new burials.

We're all looking forward to the other activities planned for this year. This month (April) we'll be exploring Grafton, which is a Ghost town, and the Zion Park area. David Stone will be our leader for this trek. Some of the other scheduled events for this year are: work days at old Iron Town, a trip to Cove Fort and the Fremont Indian Museum, and Lion's Mouth, Pinto, Mountain Meadow plus many other fun and informative outings.

We're very proud of our Pioneer heritage and honor our ancestors for their vision and courage. Another example is the Southern Utah State College in Cedar City. When it opened its doors for the first time in September 1897, it was known as The Branch Normal School.

The following excerpt was taken from an article written by Bruce Lee, published in the Summer/Fall-1988 issue of Southwestern Utah's Iron County HIGHPOINTS.

"The immediate task, getting the teachers paid, was resolved by a loan from the Zions Savings Bank in Salt Lake secured by three Cedar City men who mortgaged their homes to guarantee payment. The other task — getting the building erected on Academy Hill — was much more difficult. The people of Cedar City set out to do the impossible. Nobody, they argued, was going to take their school away from them, not even if it meant bucking the mountain snows to get the lumber to construct the new building, which it did.

The first group of men who braved those mountain drifts proved genuine heroes. They waded through snow that often was shoulder deep, pushing and tramping their way up the mountains, sleeping in holes scraped out of the snow and covered with mattresses of hay. It took them four days to reach the sawmills, located near the present day ski resort, Brian Head. Once they got there they

realized they had to go back to Cedar City again. The wagons they brought with them couldn't carry logs through the heavy snows, and it was determined that sleighs were needed to do the task.

The way back was just as arduous as the trip up. The wagons couldn't make it and were abandoned. It was in this phase of their march that an old sorrel horse proved so valuable. Placed out at the vanguard of the party, the horse, strong and quiet, would walk steadily into drifts, pushing and straining against the snow, throwing himself into the drifts again and again until they gave way. Then he would pause for rest, sitting down on his haunches the way a dog does, heave a big sigh, then get up and start all over again. Years later, those who participated in that maiden trip into the mountains credited "Old Sorrel" as they called him, with having been "savior of the expedition."

There has probably never been a more romantic founding of any school in America. The first building was literally torn from icy crags and molded by the hands of more than a hundred men and women. The community of Cedar City had met its greatest test and Southern Utah State College was given a heritage that few educational institutions possess.

\*Southern Utah State College was later renamed Southern Utah State University. □

## PLEA FOR GENEALOGY

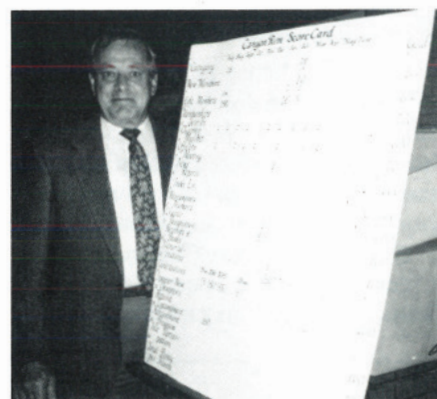
From out the past, I'd like to see  
Those who make my pedigree.  
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their way  
To make me what I am today.  
So I must have my pedigree,  
It holds the key to knowing me.

H. Bartley Heiner

## CANYON RIM CHAPTER OFFICERS LEADING 1990 YEAR WITH HIGH GOALS AND ACTIVE PROGRAMS

Plans to qualify the Canyon Rim Chapter for a Gold Award in 1990 were announced by it's officers as they launched the new year with a business meeting Thursday, January 18 at the National Headquarters offices.

Past President Glenn Harris is chairman of the "Go for the Gold" campaign, and outlined the activities and projects necessary to attain the Gold Award, never before attempted by the chapter.



Chairing the Canyon Rim Chapter's "Go for the Gold" campaign is R. Glen Harris, past president, showing the progress chart

With the presentation of two Life Memberships during the Chapter Dinner in April the Canyon Rim Chapter became an all Life Member SUP Chapter, believed to be a rare and perhaps unique distinction. Receiving their pins and certificates were Robert Rees and Leland Paxton.

Bob Wagstaff, National President of Sons of Utah Pioneers, was the guest speaker for the Dinner Meeting on Thursday, Feb. 15th. A pioneer sketch on Peter Wilson Conover was given by his great grandson, Glenn Conover, chairman of the program committee. Richard Jackson and Lee Paxton are also serving on the committee. Members are invited to arrive for a social hour

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*Making Canyon Rim Chapter all SUP Life Members are President Max Wheelwright, presenting certificates to Robert Rees and Leland Paxton, accompanied by their spouses.*

beginning at 6:30 p.m. prior to the bimonthly chapter dinners starting at 7 p.m.

Four projects for memorial plaques were presented by Richard Jackson, committee chairman. These included:

1. A barge canal intended to transport granite blocks for the Salt Lake Temple from the Little Cottonwood Canyon quarry.

2. An irrigation ditch coming from Millcreek Canyon, with forks diverting water to the northwest and southwest.

3. Restoration of a short section of narrow-gauge railroad track and railroad engine as an attraction in Parley's Gully.

4. A marker designating the site of a railroad spur leading from Emigration Canyon to Red Rock Quarry. The last of these is favored for placement in Pioneer Trails State Park.

Wayne Hartle announced plans for a newsletter to be distributed in advance of dinner meetings, announcing the speakers, entertainment and containing a report of business meetings. Lorry Rytting will be chapter photographer this year and help with the newsletter.

A dozen chapter members made the trek to observe the anniversary of the driving of the Golden Spike at Promontory in Box Elder County on May 10, leaving at 7:45 a.m. and traveling together to enjoy the day.

Chapter Pres. Max Wheelwright and his wife hosted the May 26 meeting of the Board of Directors at "Chez Wheelwright" on the west side of Bear Lake on May 26. A lot of play accompanied the business meeting. A luncheon was attended by 16 and a trek to the historic tabernacle in Paris, Idaho attracted 14. □



*Officers for Canyon Rim Chapter in 1990 seated: Glen Harris, Past President; Max Wheelwright, President; Glen Conover, President-Elect; Wayne Hartle, Secretary. Standing: Jack Graham, Treasurer; Robert Wursten, Treks; Clyde Hansen, Director; Richard Jackson, Monuments; Richard Samsion, Members; Bob Graham, Dinners.*

## CANYON RIM CHAPTER

The Canyon Rim Chapter held its usual combined dinner meeting with members and wives on 19 April 1990 in the headquarters building.

Special recognition was given to the presentation of certificates, cards and pins to members Robert Rees and Leland J. Paxton indicating their life memberships.

The speaker for the evening was Richard W. Jackson who talked to the theme: The Emigration Canyon Railroad. He told of the building of the electric railroad in 1907 in Emigration Canyon and of its use in hauling white and red sandstone used for foundation work of buildings in the valley. He explained its use by sightseers and residents in the canyon and its service to the hotel, Pinecrest Inn, which nestled in the high conifers at the head of the canyon. The demise of the railroad system and its complete dismantlement in 1917 was also pointed out, caused by the introduction of concrete as a foundation building material which ended the need for the stone and the passenger income was insufficient to carry the cost of operation. As a youngster, Mr. Jackson spent summers in the canyon with his family and told of many interesting incidents related thereto.

A copy of a paper prepared some years ago, from which Mr. Jackson obtained much factual information about the railroad will be a fine addition to the wealth of history contained in our library.

It is anticipated by the chapter members that a plaque will be made commemorating the events surrounding the Emigration Canyon Railroad. It is hoped that it can be placed at the "This Is The Place Monument" site, as it relates to Emigration Canyon. Steps are being taken in this direction. □

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Alvin G. and Lena Marie Pack

## **SUGARHOUSE CHAPTER ANNOUNCES 1990 CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES**

Travel plans were made for over 100 Sons and their partners April 25, 1990 to be in Russia to learn more about BEAUTY and the BEAST. This "PASSPORTTORUSSIA" was a multi-media presentation by Lena Marie and Alvin G. Pack at the Sons of Utah Pioneers Headquarters, and was a Study in Contracts Glasnost. The tables and banquet hall were tastefully decorated with artifacts and momentos brought home from their travels.

Since 1930 the Packs have pioneered in making broadcasting history in the International West. They are honored Utah members of the Broadcasters Hall of Fame. As radio communications pioneers they have written and voiced the equivalent of 500 full-length books of radio drama and commentary. The University of Utah has honored them by recording 14 hours of their oral history for deposit, along with scripts and memorabilia, in the Special Collections of the Marriott Library. They have received many prestigious awards. During World War II, Alvin received one of five Iwo Jima Medals for his distinguished radio contribution to the war effort. As Executive VP of a 47-station network, he was given the American Advertising Club's Award of Special Merit. Lena Marie was named Utah Woman Teacher of the Year and was inducted into the Salt Lake Council of Women's Hall of Fame. Alvin's electronic expertise extended to the "U" where he designed the acclaimed sound system for the Special Events Center. From their missionary experience Lena Marie wrote "Courageous Women of Nauvoo,"

performed 137 times throughout the West. As a radio star, she was cited by the National PTA for her epic series, "Children are People," and she received a Peabody Award for Service to Mankind in her long running feature, "Marriage Clinic." Together they have appeared in more than 30,000 hours of featured air time. Their many radio successes have drawn thousands of laudatory fan letters. Currently, as ordained L.D.S. missionaries, they serve on the Temple Square Concert Committee where they help to plan the biweekly concerts, plus 600 concerts at Christmas time and the saluted July Vocal Month with music masters from around the world.

Following their world tours, the Packs have written and produced more than a dozen multi-media presentations, besides Russia, on Greece, Troy, Crete, Egypt, Spain, Italy, The Sistine, Paris, Scandinavia, Meso-America, The Great Masters and China.

Variety is spicing the lives of those members and partners attending the May 23rd meeting of the SugarHouse Chapter Sons of Utah Pioneers. Timothy Evans, D.D.S., his wife, Melissa Evans and their four children presented a Slide and Music program explaining the Andean Foundation and the CHOICE (founded in 1980), Center for Humanitarian Outreach and Intercultural Exchange with activities to furnish medical help, building school houses and digging wells where needed in South American and Mexico areas. Dr. Evans graduated with a PHD in 1977, served a mission to the Highlands, where he became acquainted with their needs, returned with Mellinie, Emily, Allison and Jennifer to assist with serving and sharing of their talents they felt was their purpose.

For June 27 (Love Month Meeting), Past President Lynn N. Murdock will introduce Mr. Bernard Brockbank who will relate the experiences he realized while correlating the World Fairs throughout the Church, and will introduce the musical number. In July, Merrill W. Croft, Past President and Area Memorialization Chairman, has invited Brother Vern Pickering with his synthesizer to accompany the singing of patriotic songs, enhanced by a vocal trio, Eunice Anderson, Myra Livsey and Joan Cederlof. This year's summer picnic will be held July 18 at Sugarhouse Park from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Our very special speaker will be Eagle Scout Stanford Pugsley, who is the youngest

person ever to be appointed to the Salt Lake School Board. He wants to become involved and hopes to show that it is possible to have an influence and give his point of view. You will enjoy meeting his family.

AUGUST 9, 10, 11, 1990 is the S.U.P. National Encampment at B.Y.U. in Provo, Utah. The schedule includes numerous activities, meals, banquets and programs to help the group to become better acquainted and enjoy each others friendship.

Fred Newson, Trekmaster of the group will have three choices for the Program in September. Mark the 26th on your calendar now.

First Choice: Marjorie and Reed Nelson (if in town), Topic: Marjorie, the Church in Leyte, Philippines; Reed, the political scene under Marcos.

Second Choice: Floyd H. Ririe, Aviation Pioneer (with Bert Hall as two Senior Pilots of Frontier Airlines).

Third Choice: By Fred and Grace (two hours duration), Jack West Slide presentation on Central and South American Archeological evidences of Book of Mormon authenticity.

Now into October, Mark Udy, Membership and Life Membership Chairman has invited Emeritus Robert L. Simpson to enjoy the monthly banquet and program with us.

We anticipate a surprise from our Chaplain, George Aposhian on November 14.

The gift of the Holidays will be enjoyed at the Annual Christmas Get Together, December 12, when Bonnie Webber and the Highland High Madrigals bestow their beautiful Christmas music for our listening pleasure. □

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## EDITORIAL

*Ed Jackson*

I believe it was President Abraham Lincoln who said "United we stand, divided we fall".

During the past years since the inception of the National Society of the Sons of Utah pioneers, there has been an appreciable growth in our membership. We have added new chapters and programs which have helped give purpose to our existence as descendants of those great pioneers who endured much to come West and establish themselves here.

Ours has been an up and down existence. At times we have shown much progress and then have come hard times when our people seemed to lose interest in getting new members so we have lost chapters and members.

Right now, due to the enthusiasm of our officers and you members, we are on an upswing with new chapters being added, and new members to go with them. We are starting to work on projects such as plaques and monuments, tile, name memorializations and treks. We recently held a pretigious luncheon. We have a new program which will bear fruit next year and which should bring us some new members and help the public to know that we are alive and well. It is the Seminary program which will be a church-wide contest with the Seminary youth writing histories of their pioneer ancestors. SUP will be sponsoring this contest along with the Seminary system of the church and will award the gifts.

There is a real potential for new members but they need to be invited to join with us. You, as a member, should encourage friends, associates and relatives to join this great organization. Most people don't act on something like this unless they are invited. Therefore, all the membership committees in the world will get nowhere, unless they have us to back them up and help them.

Our chapters are having some outstanding programs and speakers and it is sad that more people don't hear them. We each need to invite a friend to go with us to a dinner each month and encourage them to sign up for membership. Talk it up, do something about it, go out of your way to invite someone. This is the way we will grow. Be willing to run for offices, both on the local and national level. Don't say "I haven't time", or "Let someone else do

it". We need each one to take part and do what we can to help this organization grow and flourish.

We have some fine leaders, many of who work hard to help this Society bloom. A garden doesn't reap a good harvest without lots of hard work. WE all need to be gardeners and help this garden grow. It's something to think about. Let's all get behind our leaders and help the National "Blossom as the rose". □

## THOMAS D. GILES

*Elon Hanson*

Thomas was blind; as to the cause we have no explanation.

At age 35 years he and his wife Margaret joined the Church in Wales. They had three children, Joseph 7, Hyrum 6 and Maria 1.

They left Wales and went to Liverpool, England, where they boarded the "Sam Curling" ship and sailed with a group of all Welch Saints. They set sail on April 17, 1856. They were five weeks reaching Boston, Massschussets, May 23, 1856. From there they took the train to Iowa City, Iowa.

They had to wait three weeks until the handcart were finished and they left in the Edward Bunker Company about the middle of June with 300 Welch Saints in the Company. Giles, though blind, pulled his handcart much of the way.

Soon after leaving Iowa City, Maria, the baby, became ill and died and was buried beside the trail. A few weeks later, Margaret, his wife, died and was buried along the trail. The two boys, Joseph and Hyrum, were sent back to join another group of Welch Saints because Thomas was unable to care for them in his blind condition.

At this time Thomas was assigned to a tent with about ten other people, including Thomas Evans (with only one leg) and his wife Priscella Merriman Evans, a widow with five children, another blind man and a man with one arm.

At Fort Bridger, Wyoming, Elder Giles became seriously ill. Captain Bunker held the Company up for two days and then ordered the Camp to move on, but he left two men to bury the sick man (Giles) as they didn't expect him to live only a few hours. Remarkable faith and frequent administrations of the Elders who were left with Giles kept him

alive until evening when Parley P. Pratt, the Apostle, reached their Camp. Pratt had known Giles in Wales. Elder Pratt gave Thomas Giles a remarkable blessing. In it, he made these promises: that he would be instantly healed and made well; that he would rejoin his Company and arrive in the Salt Lake Valley safely; that he should there rear a family; and that, because of his faithfulness, he would be permitted to live as long as he wanted to.

These blessings were fulfilled in their entirety. Elder Giles rejoined his Company and reached the Salt Lake Valley October 2, 1856, remarried and lived to bless and name seven of his grandchildren. Thomas Giles died November 2, 1895 after he had expressed a desire to go.

After Thomas D. Giles arrived in Salt Lake he specialized in music - he played the harp and was widely known as the "blind harpist." He also sang hymns and popular songs - he traveled about the State giving concerts and playing for dances.

His harp is in the Daughters of Utah Pioneers Museum in Salt Lake City, Utah. □

## PIONEER SKETCH OF WILLARD RICHARDS

*Amy Amundsen*

Willard Richards was born June 24 1804 to Joseph and Rhoda Howe Richards in Hopkinton, Massachusetts, the youngest of 11 children. When he was 11 years old his family moved to Richmond, Massachusetts on a 160 acre plot which his father was given as a bounty for having fought in the Revolutionary War. His parents belonged to the Congregational Church which taught that through Adam's fall "mankind by nature are dead in trespasses and sin, justly condemned to everlasting punishment". But through Christ's atonement and the mediation of a regularly ordained minister a person might be saved if he is one of the fortunate few to whom God had extended grace.

Willard was large for his age, taller than his father when he was just 13, and by his own admission a careless youth in both habit and dress. But as he worked with hoe and shovel, his mind traveled in the paths of the stars, the rain and the clouds. Books consumed his interest-they were made to be read, even on the

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Sabbath, and if read, to question. He naturally turned his questions to their learned young minister who was boarding with the Richards family. But because of Willard's nonconformity, the minister rebuffed him, refusing even his plea for admission to the Richmond Congregational Society. When Willard could not turn to his minister for hope of his own salvation, he felt as though he stood with his feet at the brink of hell and his back against the straight wall of Puritanism. Books were his salvation. He turned his interests to the scientific writings of Franklin and Newton. He wanted to go to the Academy not far away for more advanced schooling, but his parents did not approve, so he had to make the best of what he could get in the local schools. Those completed, he decided to try teaching, and the small town of Chatham, New York, offered him the use of the town hall attic if he could attract his own students. He succeeded in enrolling thirty boys and girls. He taught for several years, but science and experimenting with electricity still fascinated him. He set up some electrical displays with which he barnstormed the country, giving shows advertised as "Philosophical Experiments with Electricity".

During his tours with the traveling show, he got a copy of Dr. Samuel Thomson's book on herbal medicines. He had been disgusted with the methods and medicines used by the doctors who had treated his sisters and this book interested him. He studied some on his own then traveled to Boston to study with Dr. Thomson himself, and after six weeks had the training and certificate to practice as Dr. Richards. He planned to set up his practice near his birthplace in Hopkinton, but while visiting some relatives he happened to see a book lying on a table - the "Book of Mormon". They scornfully told him that his cousin

Brigham Young, had left it a couple of weeks before but they were not about to read it. Willard had heard of this strange sect and was amazed to learn that Brigham was now one of Joe Smith's apostles. He opened the book and after reading only a few pages was struck with its teachings - "Adam fell that man might be, and men are that they might have joy", everything he had ever been taught, contradicted. He exclaimed to himself, "Either God or the devil has had a hand in that book for man never wrote it". He became completely absorbed in the reading, going through it twice in ten days. "If this book is true," he told himself, "God has something greater for me to do than peddle pills". The decision he must make - to follow his heart and go to Kirtland, or stay with his medical work tortured him, but the more he studied, the more he was convinced that he had to check it's source. Before he could leave, he suffered a stroke and it was over two months before he regained some use of his limbs. As soon as he was able, he went to his parents home in Richmond where he spent the summer overcoming the effects of the stroke. In September Brigham and Joseph Young came for a visit. Willard felt they were an answer to his prayers, and he thrilled to their testimonies. His brother Levi also was interested and as soon as possible they started the 700 mile journey to Kirtland. They wanted to meet the prophet. On the long difficult trip Willard wrestled with the transition from the old teachings to these new concepts. He stayed with Brigham for three months, spending long evenings talking out all his doubts. Finally on December 31, 1836 he was ready for baptism. Heber C. Kimball chopped the ice from the Chagrin River and that evening in the light of a bonfire, surrounded by a group of the faithful, Brigham baptized Willard and Levi. Eight days later at a meeting in the temple, Joseph Smith Sr. blessed Willard for health and along life of service in the church and conferred upon him the gift of the Holy Ghost. Three months later to his surprise he was asked to attend a meeting of the High Priests. He protested that he hadn't even been ordained to the Aaronic Priesthood. What right had he at such a meeting? Brigham replied, "some men are naturally called upon to go faster than others. Never disparage the appointment of the Lord." He was ordained a High Priest and immediately called to go with

Brigham Young on a mission to the East to secure funds for the Church bank. He had only been back in Kirtland three days, and left again, this time to open the mission in England with Heber C. Kimball, Joseph Fielding and Orson Hyde. Although Heber and Willard had only known each other a few months they had become fast friends. One day as they were walking down the road, Heber picked up an iron ring an inch and a half in diameter. He handed it to Willard and said, "Brother Willard, let our friendship be as endless as this ring." The ring with the sentiment was highly prized by its owner and is still in the possession of the family.

Within ten days after arriving in England Bro. Kimball baptized nine converts. A Reverend John Richards invited him to preach in his church. But when a number of his flock were converted, among them his daughter, he was furious and refused to allow her to attend meetings. Jennetta Richards was baptized by Heber C. Kimball who then wrote to Willard who was working in another district, saying that he had just baptized his wife. Knowing of Heber C. Kimball's gift of prophecy he was deeply impressed but did not meet the young lady until nine months later. After much work and considerable success Brothers Kimball and Hyde were called home. At the conference to bid them goodbye Willard first met Miss Richards and asked permission to call on her father. A few days later he received an invitation to dinner. He was at their door at the precise hour, greeted formally by Mrs. Richards and ushered into the Reverend's study. He acknowledged him as a guest but let him know that he was offended by the Mormons and made Willard feel that he was leading Jennetta astray. Nevertheless she indicated to Willard that she was as interested in him as he was in her. They saw each other only briefly during the summer but Jennetta promised that she would come with her trunk even though she knew it would mean breaking with her family. They were married in the registrar's office September 24, 1838. Willard was thirty-four years old. These were trying times in the mission. There was unrest among the members and some resentment over him marrying a high ranking lady. He received a letter from Heber describing the terrible trials in Missouri and the Saints being driven from Far West. But Willard and Brother Fielding, knowing

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the importance of their work, labored to help the Saints in England to grow and understand the gospel. A son was born to Jennetta in July named Heber John. He was a healthy, beautiful child but in December he died of smallpox. Jennetta had been invited back to her parent's home and had spent some time with them. They too mourned the loss of the child. Jennetta was again pregnant so she stayed most of the time with her parents while Willard traveled around the mission. In January two apostles, Willard Woodruff and John Taylor came to England, the first of a large group that was to come. They had an important message for Willard. Joseph Smith had had a revelation that Willard was to be called as an apostle. Brigham Young and Heber C. Kimball arrived in time for April conference. George A. Smith, Parley P. Pratt and Orson Pratt had also come with them making seven apostles in England. On April 14, 1840 this group met and ordained Willard Richards one of their number, bringing the total to eight. He moved to Manchester to become the temporary editor of the *Millennial Star* while Parley P. Pratt returned to the States for his family. His second son was born October 11th and named the same as the first, Heber John. They had sent two companies of Saints off to the States. Then in April 1841 all of the members of the quorum of the twelve who had been laboring in Britain, except Parley P. Pratt, accompanied the third group of immigrants. While the others went directly to Nauvoo, Willard took Jennetta to Richmond to meet his family and left her and the baby with his sisters while he went ahead to find a home in Nauvoo. On August 16th Willard got his first glimpse of Nauvoo. Much had transpired the four years he had been in England. Everything was hustle and bustle in this fast growing city. Joseph Smith gave him a warm welcome. He immediately gave him a writing assignment and this started a close association between the two. During the winter and spring of 1841-42 the two worked together in writing Joseph's history and in publishing the *Times & Seasons*. Willard was appointed recorder for the Church and an office was set up for him on the first floor of the new brick store. The Prophet's private office was on the second floor so every minute he could spare from his own desk, he would help Joseph. At times they would interrupt

their work to go out on the riverbank and pull stakes or wrestle, then back to the desk, Joseph dictating, Willard writing. He was made recorder for the temple, since baptisms for the dead were being performed in the basement of the uncompleted building. Willard had been boarding with Brigham Young's family but in January he moved into the Prophet's home. Although he had a lot he had not been able to start his house, so Jennetta was still back in Richmond with his family. Whenever he mentioned going back for her, the printing duties and Church business seemed more pressing.

Joseph had told Willard privately about the revelation on plural marriage with instructions that those given it must practice it. This was not easy for him to accept and he knew it would be difficult to explain to Jennetta. On May 4, 1842 Willard was one of seven men to meet in the assembly room of the temple to be endowed. Joseph felt the urgency of passing the keys of this ceremony on to those who could carry on if anything happened to him. He was all ready to go for Jennetta when word came that Ex-Governor Boggs of Missouri had been shot and was accusing Joseph Smith of being an accessory with Porter Rockwell the actual criminal and had petitioned the Governor of Illinois for Joseph's extradition. This complicated all the Church affairs and he felt obliged to stay and help work out some of the legal problems. Finally on July 16th Willard got back to his wife and child who was now two years old. He appreciated having Jennetta at his side but he failed to get her to accept the law of plural marriage. They returned to Nauvoo and moved into their new home. Willard's good friends the Longstreths from England had stayed in St. Louis. Joseph urged Willard to go down to them before the river froze and ask for their two daughters, Sarah and Nanny. The family traveled back to Nauvoo with Willard so the girls could be sealed to him by the Prophet and Sarah stayed in Nauvoo while Nanny, who was fourteen, went back and lived with her parents for two years. Such was the esteem the Longstreths had for Willard, that they too later asked to be sealed to him to become a part of his eternal family. Polygamy was not yet taught openly so those of the authorities who had obeyed Joseph's instructions had to do it secret. This furnished grist for the mills of those

who were seeking to destroy the Church.

Willard made two trips to the state capital to try to clear Joseph of the charges against him but Governor Ford insisted that he come before him in person. To satisfy his accusers and against his own good judgement, Joseph went to Carthage and Willard accompanied him. The story of Carthage is familiar to all. The only thing we can point out is that of the four men in the room or cell, Joseph and Hyrum were killed, John Taylor was severely wounded and Willard Richards was unharmed. In assessing the gravity of the situation he realized that he had been spared for a purpose. His special mission was to keep the people calm, retaliation would only make matters worse. He had the entire responsibility of making decisions for several weeks until the rest of the Twelve could be notified and return to Nauvoo. He assured the Governor that the Mormons would not attack, but that they expected redress from the courts. If the government failed them there was a higher power, "Vengeance rests with heaven." The Nauvoo story is also well known to all of us. With the return of the other apostles the problems were faced in council and as recorder Willard wrote tirelessly that all would be kept for posterity. Preparations were made to move west. His dear Jennetta died July 9, 1845. He had stayed at her bedside constantly for six weeks but to no avail. They buried her in the garden. The strain of Jennetta's illness and death took its toll on Willard. He was barely able to leave his bed to take care of urgent duties. As a member of the Council of Fifty he participated in directing the move out of Nauvoo. Willard's family had increased. He had chosen a wife from each of the districts in England where he had labored but could not take all of them out on the prairie. Sarah Longstreth and Amelia Pierson shared his wagon along with the children and they crossed the river on February 15th and camped at Sugar Creek where the temperature dropped below zero. Willard was appointed postmaster for this company and also had the responsibility of carrying and protecting the precious history manuscripts. The difficulties and misery of those months are beyond our comprehension. Just two years after Willard had ridden to Carthage with Joseph and Hyrum, they camped at

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Winter Quarters on a flat close to the Missouri River. Five hundred log houses were built in two months and at least two hundred other buildings started. Willard helped divide Winter Quarters into twenty-two wards with a bishop and counselor over each. Willard's was one of the last houses to be finished. It had a wing to be used as a council hall and post office. With the bags of mail coming from the Battalion, the other settlements, members in the east and in England, he had a gigantic task. The winter was bitter cold but with spring came the plans for the first company to start out for the west. On April 16, 1847 Willard started out with the eager band and his family waited for his return to take them out the following year. Sally had given birth to her first son, Willard Brigham, and Amelia and Susannah were helping her and caring for Heber John, Rhoda Ann Jennetta, and Ellen an adopted daughter.

After his return to Winter Quarters he was chosen second counselor to President Brigham Young. In 1848 he lead a large company of saints to this valley as their captain. When the provisional government of the State of Deseret was formed he was elected secretary of state under Governor Brigham Young. He was a member of the territorial legislature and the presiding officer of that body. He was the first editor of the Deseret News and the first postmaster of Salt Lake City. He was the historian and general church recorder from 1842 until his death March 11, 1854. □

### *Thomas Callister*

*McCoyMcMurray*

There are those who live and die in notoriety. Some constantly walk amidst applause and accolades. But for most of our progenitors, not so. As far as the world is concerned, their walk was in obscurity. Their births, their deaths and the events in between seemed to have caused little stir. Nevertheless, within the circles where they lived and moved, lives were deeply touched.

The pioneer I would like to introduce was born more than a century and a half ago, (1821) in the beautiful Isle of Man. His name - Thomas Callister. Incidentally, the Prophet Joseph Smith was then but 16 years of age. I suppose that in the Isle of Man, the name

"Callister" might be something like "Smith" or "Jones" here in the United States.

In any event, in 1821, a baby was born who was destined to make a mark, at least in the lives of those who knew him and certainly in the hearts of many who came after him.

There weren't any schools in the area of his early years. He wasn't able to get a formal education, as many of us today would hope for and even expect. But he did live in a humble and devout home, and he was teachable, and even though he lacked formal education he was taught by his parents the great Christian principles of honesty, integrity and a willingness to work. And if he didn't have a lot of text books around (as he would have liked), at least he had a Bible; and even as a boy Thomas' parents taught him to read and study and appreciate the scriptures.

Early in his youth Thomas wondered about things that seemed inconsistent with what he read in the scriptures. He wondered, according to his autobiography, why there weren't angels in the world in his day and why heavenly communication, as recorded in the Bible, wasn't a reality in his time as well as in times of old. With only that background and education, he was "bound out" as an apprentice tailor, (he writes in his diary) destined to become skilled in the tailor's trade. But he was anxious about religion, and had deep yearnings as a boy. He wanted to succeed as a tailor and was determined to make the most of his life.

He records in his journal that when he was about 19 he chanced to see a little handbill advertising a meeting to be conducted by some Mormon Elders from America. They were going to hold a meeting and proclaim a new religion and talk about the Priesthood and the revelations from God. One of the Elders was John Taylor, destined to later become a president of the Church.

Thomas' interest was quickened. He attended the meeting and was deeply touched... so much so that years later he could even remember the things that were said that day. They seemed to center on the plan of salvation, the purpose of life and what his destiny might be. A short time after the meeting, he was baptized - the only one in his family to join the Church. No sooner had he been baptized than the spirit of "gathering" descended upon him. And

in those days the spirit of "gathering" was exactly that. It meant coming to America! In contrast, today those who come into the Church are being admonished (aren't they) to remain in their native lands and build up Zion in distant places. But in those early days, consistent with the emphasis of the leaders and consistent with those great impressions, there came the intense desire to gather among the people with whom he was now identified. He wanted to live close to the Prophet, of whom he had a testimony. And so he determined, as a young man, that he would take his journey to America. When he made the announcement to his family, and made efforts to go, his brother came to him, just prior to his departure, in fact, and offered him one half of everything he had if Thomas would not go and join the "Mormons", and if we read his history correctly, that was a substantial amount. His family tried to dissuade him, to entice him to stay in the Isle of Man and live among his own family - forget about this new religion and simply center his life on the work and profession of his brother.

But Thomas was unyielding. Determined to follow his conscience and go to America, he embarked on a voyage that would take him across the Atlantic. Imagine - 55 days at sea! It's almost unbelievable, isn't it, compared to the way we travel today when jets can take us nearly anywhere in a matter of just a few hours! But in those days, it was travel by sea. He came over on the ship Tremont, landing at New Orleans. He took another boat up the Mississippi and on to Nauvoo and then went over to Macedonia about 20 miles east of Nauvoo where he settled.

He met the Prophet and others, including John Taylor, whom he had known in England, and became intimately involved with the great work surrounding the Restoration. There were many events that unfolded. In his journal he wrote about the mobocracy and persecution, and what it was to see families - little children and wives - driven into the streets - to have livestock stolen and to see people plundered. He knew all about it because he was a victim. He wrote in his journal about the martyrdom and the events just preceding it, and how he was standing guard that night - on the memorable night of June 27, 1844: "I was standing guard on the road leading to Carthage. Two strangers



came from that place, and I hailed them. They stopped, and told me that Joseph and Hyrum had been murdered by a mob in Carthage Jail. I told them I didn't believe it. They told me what object could they have by telling me a lie, as they were strangers passing through the country. I then went into our little town with them which was soon a commotion."

In his journal he wrote about his beautiful marriage to Caroline Smith, a cousin to the Prophet. A second marriage took place a few months later when he married Helen Mar Clark. I suppose this is one of the beautiful plural marriages in the history of the Church. Helen Mar records that it was just like living with a beautiful and wonderful sister. They made a great home.

Eventually those events unfolded that prompted him and others to leave Nauvoo early in February, 1846. They, with their wagons, crossed the Mississippi River on the ice in the afternoon. They had gathered in their wagons what belongings they could, and sold all else for a "log chain and six chickens." Nobody wanted to buy property since it could be had for the taking after the Saints left it behind. They gave up everything they had except the few things they could carry with them in their wagons.

The early pioneers stayed the first winter in Winter Quarters. Thomas was among them. He was called to leave with Brigham Young in the first company but contracted cholera and was delayed. He eventually left with the second company of Saints arriving in the Salt Lake Valley in September, 1847. Thomas and his family settled in the Mill Creek area, not East Mill Creek, and suffered all the hardships and deprivations of those early years in the valley. He witnessed the plague of the crickets and the miracle of the gulls.

He was civic minded, serving several terms in the State Legislature. He was called to be the Bishop of the 17th Ward in Salt Lake City. During that time, he was called by Brigham Young to go down to Fillmore in Millard County and there preside over all the wards and branches in that county. We have in our possession a copy of the original letter containing this calling written in the beautiful handwriting of Brigham Young himself. The original letter, along with the letter of appreciation from the members of the 17th Ward

given to him at the time of his leaving, have been given to the Church Historian's Office.

Thomas remained in Fillmore the rest of his life, serving as Bishop and Stake President, and Colonel in the Nauvoo Legion. He was elected to the State Legislature several times, filled a mission to England and established the telephone and telegraph throughout Millard County.

He had remarkable experiences with the Indians. They trusted him. He had a great capacity to deal with and befriend them. He was involved in the Walker War and the Black Hawk Wars. Chief Kanosh, a dear friend, spoke at Thomas Callister's funeral in 1880.

In looking back over the life of Thomas Callister, I am deeply touched. I made a little note in about 1958 relative to his posterity at that time (and there hasn't been much effort to keep track since)—there were then 10 who had served as Bishops, 5 as Stake Presidents, and 1 had served in the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles of the Church—and more importantly, one of his great granddaughters walks as my eternal companion.

As I look back at his life there were things that came to my mind that illustrated and somehow underscore the great scriptures. I think of the day he saw that handbill, little realizing that the glance would change his course in life. The words of Alma to his son Helaman come to mind: "By small and simple things are great things come to pass."

I think of the day when he was about to depart for America, and the enticement of his brother to stay in the Isle of Man, and renounce his new faith—and am then reminded of the proverb that many of you can quote: "Trust in the Lord with all thine heart and lean not unto thine own understandings. In all thy ways acknowledge Him and He will direct thy paths."

I think of the mob attacks in Nauvoo and Macadonia, the drivings and the burnings and am reminded of those lines we sometimes sing: "Sacrifice brings forth the blessings of Heaven."

And even though we walk in obscurity, we have the hope and the promise that if we keep God's commandments, the blessings of eternity will be ours. □

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## THE FAITH OF MARY ANN

*Florence Youngberg*

On the 20th of July 1816, in London, Middlesex, England, William and Mary Wright were blessed with a beautiful little daughter. She was given the name of Mary Ann. As far as is known, she was an only child and received all the love that might have been shared with other children had there been more.

William and Mary determined early that their child would have every opportunity they could provide to get an education. In England in those days, it was not deemed necessary for a girl to get an education. Her lot in life was to learn to be a good housewife and mother. Mary Ann was blessed in being able to get what amounted to a fair education for the times. In her letters and poems which still exist, is shown an ability to express herself which could only have come from an education. Her handwriting was beautiful.

She married a handsome young man, Josiah Savill, on the 3rd of August 1840 in the Parish church in Saffron Walden, Essex, England. Josiah was a cordwainer or shoemaker. Mary Ann, because of her education, was a real help to her husband in keeping his books. But she also found time to do other things. She was a fine seamstress and when they were first married, she helped out financially by working as a seamstress in a factory.

Josiah and Mary Ann were soon blessed with their first child, a boy, whom they named George. They would be blessed with five other children; Mary Ann who was named for her mother, Emma, Eliza, James and Lydia.

Health problems would plague their family for many years. Their problems started with George when he was quite young. By the time he was three years old, he had temporarily lost his sight three times. The cause is not stated in his handwritten account. He goes on to say that when he was three and a half, his hand was mashed between a gate and gatepost and he nearly lost his hand. Thanks to love and care and the faith of his mother, his hand healed well. Shortly after his hand healed, he told of falling down and striking his head on the stump of a cherry tree which hurt him badly. He seemed to be accident prone. By the time he was eight years old, he had

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developed an abscess under the fleshy part of his thigh. It eventually retarded the growth pattern of his leg so that one leg was a little shorter than the other. It was painful and Mary Ann was deeply concerned. The doctors of that time did not know what to do for George.

One day Mary Ann was talking to a friend and learned about some young men who were talking about gold plates and healings and a young man in America who claimed to be a prophet. Mary Ann became curious and went to one of their meetings. At the meeting, one of the missionaries talked about healings and faith and a gift of the spirit following those who believed. Mary Ann felt impressed to go up after the meeting and speak to the young man. She told him about her son George and his leg. Elder David Dell, the young missionary, told her that if she would receive the gospel with an honest heart that her boy could be healed. At the next meeting, Mary Ann was there with George. After the meeting, hands were laid on George's head and he was given a blessing based on the faith of his mother and those present. George, in a handwritten account, said that the next morning his leg was well and the pain was gone. Of course it took some time for the leg to grow to a normal length to match his other one, but he never had any problems with it from then on.

This faith which lead to her conversion to the church was to stand her in good stead and carry her through many trying times. Their third child, Emma, was a beautiful child with dark flowing hair and dark flashing eyes. It was soon discovered that she too had a problem with her health. In letters written by her mother to her daughter Mary Ann after she left for America, it seems that Emma was plagued with problems caused by her leg. Apparently she was in a great deal of pain but not for the same reason as George had had. One letter even told of the possibility of losing her leg. She spent some time in a hospital in London where she was helped some and was able to get enough relief so she could live a fairly normal life. After she married, one of her nieces wrote in a letter about her Aunt Emma having one leg shorter than the other which made it difficult for her to get around. Mary Ann, her mother, cared for and helped her all her growing up days as much as she was able, but always she turned to

her Heavenly Father with faith that she would get the help that she and her family needed.

In 1853, her last child, Lydia, only lived a year and left a deep hole in her loving family. Mary Ann particularly missed this beautiful little child, but she knew the rest of her family was depending on her.

When her daughter, Mary Ann, was 17, her mother decided that the most worthwhile goal in her life would be to eventually get all her family to the "Valley" in America where they could be close to the Prophet and Church she had grown to love. She discussed things with her family and they all decided that the oldest girl, Mary Ann, would be the first to go. She would be able to travel with some friends of the family so she would not be alone. This was very difficult for her mother to let her beloved daughter go so far alone, but she knew that it was the start of something worthwhile, and that if she followed the guidance of the prophet, and had faith, that all would be well and they would each one, in turn, be protected. Eventually all her family would leave England and travel to Utah over the next ten years. All her family joined the church except her husband, Josiah, who would not join until they reached the valley.

Mary Ann's great faith and love of the gospel carried her through these and the other trying times of her long life. She had long wanted to live through the turn of the century, but it wasn't to be. She died November 20, 1899 just 41 days before the turn of the century. She had set a loving example for her family, had helped them and given them every opportunity to grow and learn the things of value in the world, plus she had seen that they were all baptized into the church she loved and then had made sure that they were all safely transported to that great land, America, and on to the Valley of Great Salt Lake where she and her husband joined them to live out their lives in the shadow of the everlasting hills. □

## PIONEERS

V. Vee Reynolds

*Many are the people who have  
bathed their face with tears,*

*But among those I remember most  
are our beloved Pioneers.*

*To count their sacrifices, leaving  
friends and relatives behind,*

*Even to the sorrow of being dis-  
owned by their own kind.*

*The memory of what they accom-  
plished, and what they went through  
Brings tears to each and every eye,  
and to mine too.*

*The persecution that they suffered  
at the hands of the mob  
Makes me wonder how they could  
not lose their faith in God.*

*Some of them were beaten, and some  
were tarred and feathered  
But even through all these trials  
which they had weathered,  
They still managed to call on God,  
and to praise and sing  
Of their unending love and devo-  
tion to their savior, God and King.*

*Many walked across the plains, a  
thousand miles and more.  
Their courage never faltered, no  
one bothered to keep score  
Of how they helped each other in  
any way they possibly could  
To reach the Valleys of the Moun-  
tains, where they would do much good.*

*How I admire their devotion to the  
task which was at hand  
Guided by divine inspiration to this,  
their Promised Land.  
Though many died along the way,  
and never reached their destination,  
The faith of those who made it  
formed the nucleus of our great nation.*

*Stop and ponder for a moment,  
where would you be today?  
If our pioneer ancestors had de-  
cided then to say:  
"The trip will be far too long for me  
to undertake,  
I can live where I am at, and it will  
not be a mistake."*

*I, for one, am heartened by their  
most accurate decision  
To listen to the still small voice and  
to fulfill their mission.  
I am grateful to my ancestors, who  
listened to the word,  
Never voicing opposition, always  
pushing their way onward.*

*They have my true devotion, my  
thanks and all my praise.  
To the God of Heaven above, my  
voice and hand I raise.  
How proud I am that I am able to be  
a Son of Utah Pioneers.  
I thank each and every one of them,  
and to them give my cheers.*



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The prime mover in this effort has been Phil Tyler, who with Ned Huntsman started the drive to raise funds necessary to install a new chain-link fence around the site. Material used was donated by interested family members, and many others contributed generously to finance the cost of its construction. Grave sites were cleaned of weeds and debris by Ruth Pulsipher Christian, Mary Tullis, and Erma Bracken.

Some time after the dedicatory services were held a historical marker was installed at the cemetery. This

marker is constructed of native stone. Richard Laub supervised its construction assisted by Phil Tyler, Walter Wiest and Charles Randall.

Positioned on the top of the marker is a 24 x 30 inch anodized aluminum plaque which gives an account of the arrival of John and Charles Pulsipher on Shoal Creek in March of 1862. The two brothers were members of the original pioneer company that settled St. George in December of 1861. They had been assigned to locate a herd ground for the community. Finding lush grass on the hills and valley surrounding Shoal Creek, they moved the cattle and sheep and resettled their families from St. George to the banks of Shoal Creek in early May of 1862. Because this herd ground was reminiscent of the one used by Father Abraham in Biblical times, they gave the settlement the same name he had used. Thus, the community came to be called "Hebron".

In the years since nearly all physical

evidence of Hebron has vanished, except for the cemetery. This revered plot of ground not only holds the earthly remains of many of those who founded the community, but also keeps alive the memory of those who lived and died in this almost forgotten frontier community.

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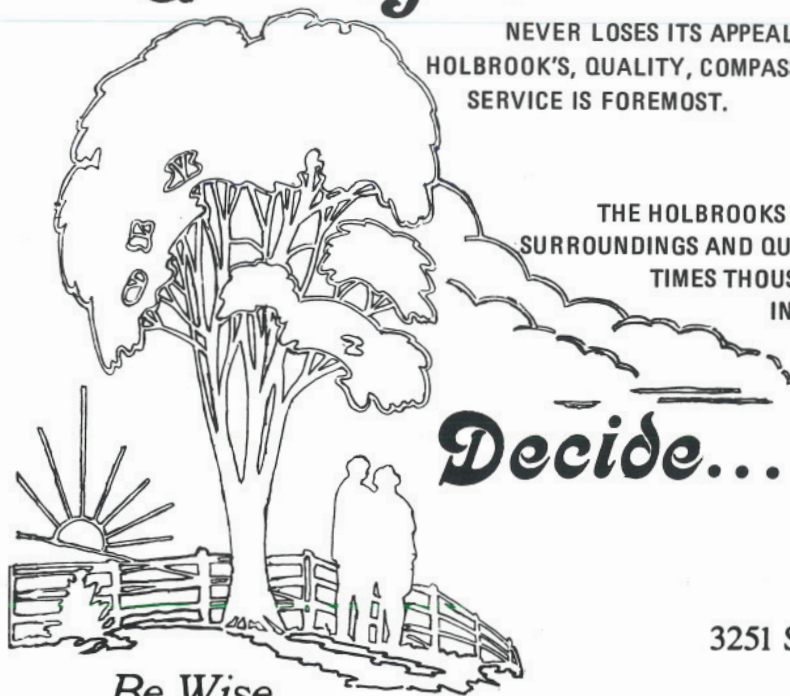
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### LELAND THOMAS COTTLE

LELAND THOMAS COTTLE, 89, a Life Member of Temple Fork Chapter SUP in Cache Valley, Utah, died May 13, 1990. He was engaged in water management all of his life. For 32 years he served as Water Master and Manager of the West Cache Canal Co. He was active in the LDS Church, serving in various capacities, including Bishop, High Councilman. He filled two missions. He is survived by five sons, three daughters, 41 grandchildren and 85 great grandchildren.

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### THOMAS BRINTON NEFF

THOMAS BRINTON NEFF, 83, died April 11, 1990. He was a Life Member of the East Mills Millcreek Chapter of SUP. He was active in the LDS Church, serving three missions, as High Counselor, High Priest and Bishop. He was Pres. of the New York Mission. He was owner and President of Neffs, Inc. and was the first President of the Murray, Utah Chamber of Commerce. He is survived by his widow, five sons and 21 grandchildren.

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### DIMOND IRA HARDCASTLE

DIMOND IRA HARDCASTLE, 66, a Life Member of the Jordan River Chapter of SUP, died June 6, 1990. He was active in the LDS Church, serving in various capacities, including missionary, High Priests Presidency, auxiliary worker and Temple worker. He was a farmer and also worked for Kennecott Copper Co. for 33 years. He is survived by his widow, six children and 11 grandchildren.

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### STUART H. RICHARDS

STUART H. RICHARDS, 77, a Life Member of the Temple Fork Chapter SUP, died May 9, 1990. A graduate of USAC, he taught vocational agriculture in New Mexico for three years. He worked for the U.S. Farmers Home Administration for five years. He was manager of the Cache Valley Turkey Growers Assn. for 18 years. The final 20 years of his professional life were spent at the USU Agricultural Economics Dept., from which he retired in 1982. He was active in the LDS Church as Bishop's Counselor and Stake Clerk. He is survived by his widow of Trenton, Utah, by two daughters and 15 grandchildren.

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### MERVIN A. PETERSON

MERVIN A. PETERSON, 71 a Life Member of the Holladay Chapter of SUP, died April 29, 1990. He was Past President of Holladay Chapter and the Holladay Rotary Club. Active in other civic organizations. He was a building contractor by profession. Active in the LDS Church, serving as missionary, High Priests Group Leader, guide on

Temple Square, and other capacities. He is survived by his widow, two daughters, two sons, 12 grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

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### WAYNE RICHARD SANDBERG

WAYNE RICHARD SANDBERG, 75, a Life Member of the Beehive Chapter of SUP, died May 16, 1990. He was active in the LDS Church, serving as missionary, Bishop's counselor, Stake Clerk, High Priest's Secretary and Temple worker. By profession he served for 33 years as an audio visual supervisor for the military at Fort Douglas. He is survived by his widow, a son and four grandchildren.

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### WILLIAM DOUGLAS CALLISTER

WILLIAM DOUGLAS CALLISTER, 82, Life Member of the East Mill Creek Chapter of SUP, died Apr. 30, 1990. He was a lawyer by profession. He was an active member of the LDS Church, serving variously as A bishop, Stake President, Patriarch, Missionary (two) and other positions. He is survived by his widow, three sons, a daughter, and 19 grandchildren.

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### JAMES GILES

JAMES GILES, 47, a Life Member of the Jordan River Temple Chapter of SUP, died Nov. 11, 1989. James was a pioneer by nature and belonged to the Mountain Men organization. As a member of the Mountain Men he gave many demonstrations to youth groups regarding the Mountain Men culture. He worked for the Ogden General Depot and was stationed at the Tooele Ordinance Depot. He is survived by two sons and by his parents, both of whom are Life Members of SUP and DUP. He was an active member of the LDS Church and spent many hours teaching and instructing the Boy Scout organizations affiliated with the Church.

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### CLEMONT "MONTY" NEILSON

CLEMONT "MONTY" NEILSON, 63, died June, 13, 1990, in St. George. He was born Jan. 5, 1927, in Washington City to Isabelle Prisbrey and Peter Taylor Neilson. He married Beverly Peterson Sept. 15, 1946, in Cedar City and the marriage was later solemnized in the St. George LDS Temple. He was a veteran of World War II, serving in the Merchant Marines in the Philippines. He was a former Iron County Deputy Sheriff, a lifetime member of the Sons of the Utah Pioneers, a member of the VFW and an active high priest in the LDS Church, working with youth. He owned operated Monty's Service for many years & enjoyed boating on Lake Powell in a boat he restored.

*Oh Death, how sweet to me it seems  
That you are only my small dreams  
Of passing from this world of strife  
And going to a better life.*

*Sometimes it seems you take the best  
And lay them down in peace and  
rest,  
While the rest of us, from morn 'till  
night  
Work hard to learn and do the right.*

*We aim our life as mortals do  
To be the one that God will choose  
To stand beside Him as He stands  
And rules the world with His right  
hand.*

*Oh Death, how sweet! And sweeter  
still We leave behind our sorrowful  
ill;  
We leave behind our loved ones dear  
To live and love in coming years.*

*Why should we weep, and morn, and  
cry  
When you come from the lighted sky  
And take us to a place above  
Where God will share with us His  
love.*

*Oh Death, how sweet to me it seems  
That you are only my small dreams  
Of passing from this world of strife  
And going to a better life.*



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